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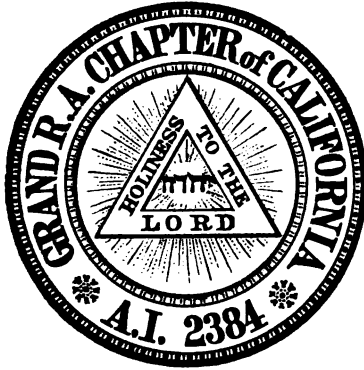
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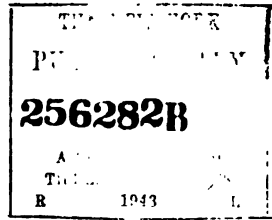
I, THOMAS H. CASWELL, Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of California, do hereby certify that the following pages contain a true and faithful transcript of the proceedings of that Body, at its Thirty-seventh Annual Convocation, commenced at the City of San Francisco on Tuesday, the twenty-first day of April, A. D. 1891, A. I. 2421, and of the returns of the subordinate Chapters and other matters authorized to be published.



In Testimony Whereof,

I have hereunto appended my official signature, and have affixed the Seal of the Grand Chapter of the State of California, at the City of San Francisco, this fourth day of May, A. D. 1891, A. I. 2421.

Thos H. Caswell,
Grand Secretary.



GRAND OFFICERS

OF THE

Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons

OF THE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA,

For the year commencing April, A. I. 2421, and ending April, A. I. 2422.

M. E. MILTON HILLS MYRICK,....GRAND HIGH PRIEST,..... *San Francisco*,
R. E. WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS, DEP. GRAND HIGH PRIEST,..*Sacramento*;
N. E. CHAS. RAY GRITMAN,..GRAND KING,.....*Napa*;
R. E. ELLISON L. CRAWFORD, ..GRAND SCRIBE,.....*Georgetown*;
N. E. HIRAM THROOP GRAVES,..GRAND TREASURER,.. ..*San Francisco*;
R. E. THOS. HUBBARD CASWELL, GRAND SECRETARY,*San Francisco*;
E. ALFRED THOS. PERKINS,..GRAND CHAPLAIN,.....*Alameda*;
E. THOS. HUBBARD CASWELL, GRAND LECTURER,..... ..*San Francisco*;
E. ADOLPHUS HEWEL,.....GRAND CAPT. OF THE HOST,..*Modesto*;
E. THOMAS FLINT, SR.,.....GRAND ROYAL ARCH CAP'N.,..*San Juan*;
Comp. SAMUEL DAVID MAYER,....GRAND ORGANIST,.....*San Francisco*;
" JAMES OGLESBY,..... GRAND GUARD,..... ..*San Francisco*.

GRAND CHAPTER

OF

ROYAL ARCH MASONS

OF THE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL CONVOCAATION.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of California commenced its thirty-seventh Annual Convocation at the Masonic Temple, in the city of San Francisco, on Tuesday, the twenty-first day of April, A. D. 1891, A. I. 2421, at ten o'clock, A. M.

Upon calling the roll of members, there were found present the following—

GRAND OFFICERS:

The M. E. FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, *Grand High Priest* ;
 " R. E. MILTON HILLS MYRICK, *Deputy Grand High Priest* ;
 " R. E. WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS, *Grand King* ;
 " R. E. CHARLES RAY GRITMAN *Grand Scribe* ;
 " R. E. HIRAM THROOP GRAVES, *Grand Treasurer* ;
 " R. E. THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL, *Grand Secretary* ;
 " E. ALFRED THOMAS PERKINS, *Grand Chaplain* ;
 " E. THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL, *Grand Lecturer* ;
 " E. ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD, *Grand Capt. of the Host* ;
 " E. ADOLPHUS HEWEL, *Grand Royal Arch Captain* ;
 Comp. SAMUEL DAVID MAYER, *Grand Organist* ;
 " JAMES OGLESBY, *Grand Guard* :

PAST GRAND OFFICERS:

The M. E. THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL, *Past Grand High Priest* ;
 " M. E. JACOB HART NEFF, " " " "
 " M. E. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, " " " "
 " M. E. HENRY HAY KNAPP, " " " "
 " M. E. WILEY JAMES TINNIN, " " " "
 " M. E. WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE, " " " "
 " M. E. EDWARD COLEMAN, " " " "
 " M. E. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE, " " " "
 " M. E. WILLIAM THOMPSON LUTHER, " " " "
 " M. E. WILLIAM VANDERHURST, " " " "
 " R. E. STEPHEN WING, *Past Grand King* ;

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And the Representatives of fifty-four chartered Chapters, and Delegates from the Chapter under dispensation, together with a number of Past High Priests by service within the jurisdiction, entitled to seats.

There being more than a sufficient representation present, the Grand Chapter of California was opened in *Ample Form*, with music by the Choir, and prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

The Grand High Priest announced the following committee—

On Credentials : { Comp. Isaac Philanson Kincaid,
" Charles Edwin Gillett,
" Lewis Cass Wittenmyer.

After a brief recess, the committee presented the following report of officers of the chartered Chapters, or their duly appointed proxies, and Past High Priests by service within the jurisdiction, as being present and entitled to seats, viz.: from—

<i>San Francisco</i> , No. 1,....	{ WILLIAM HARVEY EDWARDS, High Priest; WILLIAM HENRY DAVIS, King; LOUIS COHN, MILTON HILLS MYRICK, THEODORE EDWARD SMITH, ISAAC PHILANSON KINCAID, MOUBRAY ROBERT DUNDAS,	} Past High Priests.
<i>Sonora</i> ,.... No. 2,....	{ EDUARD KEIL, High Priest and Past High Priest; STEPHEN WING, Past High Priest.	
<i>Sacramento</i> , ...No. 3,....	{ RICHARD PALMER BURR, High Priest; JACOB WYMAN, (2d) King; JOHN HURLEY, Scribe; POWELL SAMUEL LAWSON, WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE, WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS,	} Past High Priests.
<i>California</i> ,.... No. 5,....	{ HENRY ASCROFT, High Priest; CHARLES WILLIAM DECKER, Scribe; HIRAM THROOP GRAVES, FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, ISAAC STANWOOD LOCKE, DAVID PUGH MARSHALL, THOMAS KYLE,	} Past High Priests.
<i>Nevada</i> ,..... No. 6,....	{ EDWARD MYERS PRESTON, High Priest; THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL, LANTHIS JEROME ROLFE,	} Past High Priests.
<i>Shasta</i> ,..... No. 9,....	{ MORRIS MEHON, High Priest; DANIEL POTTER BYSTLE, Past High Priest.	
<i>Sutter</i> ,..... No. 11,....	EDWARD CONVERSE VOORHIES, High Priest.	
<i>Washington</i> ,.... No. 13,....	ALEXANDER CAMERON IRWIN, High Priest and P. H. P.	
<i>Howard</i> ,..... No. 14,....	DANIEL C DUNN, Past High Priest.	

<i>Humboldt</i> ,	No. 52,	THOMAS BARNES CUTLER, High Priest and P. H. P.
<i>Utah</i> ,	No. 53,	JAMES MILTON MANNON, High Priest.
<i>Keystone</i> ,	No. 56,	{ HENRY ALOYSIUS KELLER, High Priest; WILLIAM LLOYD GARRISON SOULE, King and P. H. P.
<i>Signet</i> ,	No. 57,	{ GEORGE MORTIMER HOLTON, High Priest; TROWBRIDGE HYER WARD, Past High Priest.
<i>Sakinas</i> ,	No. 59,	{ ULDAIRICO HARTNELL, High Priest; WILLIAM VANDERHURST, Past High Priest.
<i>Cobusa</i> ,	No. 60,	JOSEPH BAILEY COOKE, High Priest and P. H. P.
<i>San Diego</i> ,	No. 61,	ELI TUCKER BLACKMER, High Priest.
<i>San Luis</i> ,	No. 62,	KAUFMAN GREEN, King.
<i>St. Helena</i> ,	No. 63,	WILLIAM WHITTINGHAM LYMAN, H. P. and P. H. P.
<i>Acacia</i> ,	No. 64,	JAMES CLINTON LEWIS, High Priest.
<i>Antioch</i> ,	No. 65,	CHARLES MORTIMER BELSHAW, High Priest and P. H. P.
<i>Doria</i> ,	No. 66,	GEORGE EDWIN KENNEDY, High Priest and P. H. P.
<i>Riverside</i> ,	No. 67,	JOHN SEXTON CASTLEMAN, High Priest.
<i>Hollister</i> ,	No. 68,	{ THOMAS FLINT, SR., High Priest and Past High Priest; THOMAS FLINT, JR., Past High Priest.
<i>Trigo</i> ,	No. 69,	GEORGE CLAYTON GRIMES, High Priest and P. H. P.
<i>Tulare</i> ,	No. 71,	GEORGE WASHINGTON ZARTMAN, H. P. and P. H. P.
<i>Crown</i> ,	No. 72,	ELON WHITE, High Priest.
<i>Orange</i> ,	U. D.,	{ CARLOS FREDERICK MANSUR, High Priest, JAMES WILLIAM TOWNER, King.

Which report was concurred in, and the companions therein named were admitted to seats.

The reading of the proceedings of the last Annual Convocation was dispensed with, the members being furnished with printed copies thereof.

The Grand High Priest then delivered his Annual Address, as follows :—

COMPANIONS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF CALIFORNIA :—

Through the loving kindness of the Supreme High Priest of the Universe we are permitted to assemble on this, the thirty-seventh, Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter, to deliberate on matters appertaining to the Royal Craft; and while the hand of brotherly love and companionship is being extended, one to another, may it meet a responsive chord in the breast of every Companion, that will insure a continuance of our present harmonious relations; and may our deliberations be governed by that spirit of love and charity so strikingly exemplified in the life and character of him whose name we revere, whose precepts we are taught to obey, and to whom we should look for wisdom and guidance on this occasion. Let us then, Companions, humbly acknowledge our dependence on him and invoke his blessing on our labors,

I desire to congratulate you upon the harmony that prevails throughout this entire jurisdiction. During the year just passed no discord has arisen among the Craft, and the labors of the Grand High Priest have been light and pleasant.

Soon after the close of the last Annual Convocation I approved the bonds of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, and they are now in the hands of the Committee on Finance.

During the year the following dispensations have been issued :—

April 17th, 1890. To *San Francisco* Chapter, No. 1, permitting the use of two substitutes in the Royal Arch degree.

August 8th, 1890. To certain designated Companions to form and open a new Chapter at Santa Ana, to be called *Orange* Chapter.

December 30th, 1890. To *Solano* Chapter, No. 43, to elect officers at other than the time named in the Constitution.

January 12th, 1891. To *Woodland* Chapter, No. 46,

February 19th, 1891. To *St. Helena* Chapter, No. 63; and

February 28th, 1891. To *Oakusa* Chapter, No. 60, for the same purpose.

March 25th, 1891. To *Salinas* Chapter, No. 59, to ballot upon the petition of candidate within the time required by the Constitution.

In all these instances good and sufficient reasons were adduced to warrant the issuance of the foregoing dispensations.

Commissions have been issued as follows :—

April 25th, 1890. To Companion J. SIMPSON AFRICA, to represent this Grand Chapter near the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania.

May 6th, 1890. To Companion THOS. J. WILDER, of Casselton, as our Representative near the Grand Chapter of North Dakota.

June 5th, 1890. To Companion ANGELO S. MYERS of Memphis, to represent this Grand Body near the Grand Chapter of Tennessee, *vice* Companion WILLIAM N. DOUGHTY, deceased.

August 12th, 1890. To Companion JAMES E. COES, as Representative near the Grand Chapter of Connecticut.

October 6th, 1890. To Companion WILLIAM HENRY TULLOH of Sydney, to represent this Grand Chapter near the Supreme Grand Chapter of New South Wales.

April 2d, 1891. To Companion PETER C. MURPHY of Brookings, as Representative of this Grand Chapter near the Grand Chapter of South Dakota.

No questions of an intricate nature have been propounded, and a more careful study of the Constitution of this Grand Chapter would have avoided the necessity for asking even these, of which the following are samples :—

Question. In the absence of the High Priest, King and Scribe, is it proper for a Past High Priest to open a Chapter for regular business?

Answer. It is not.

Question. A member of a Chapter is sick. He dimitted from his Lodge, and has not contributed to any Lodge for two years. Is he in standing in the Chapter? Can he claim assistance from the Chapter, and in case of his death can the Chapter bury him?

Answer. Having dimitted from his Lodge, and more than six months thereafter having elapsed without any attempt to affiliate with another, he is not a Master Mason in good standing in this jurisdiction; and while remaining so, he is debarred from all the rights and privileges of Royal Arch Masonry.

Question. Can a Chapter receive the petition of a clergyman without fees?

Answer. No. (See Article XVII, Section 5, of Constitution.) Should the Chapter desire to present the reverend with the amount which the degrees cost, it can do so in the form of a donation after the degrees are conferred, but the application for degrees must, in all cases, be accompanied by the entire fee.

Question. Can we take a note from a candidate for the fees?

Answer. No. A note is merely a *promise* to pay and does not comply with the requirements of the Constitution.

Question. Is there any way a Chapter can provide a lunch, on conferring the Royal Arch degree, with funds from its treasury?

Answer. Should the members of a Chapter desire to indulge in a banquet after the Royal Arch degree has been conferred, to be paid for out of its funds, there is no constitutional objection to their so doing.

Question. Does an applicant for Chapter degrees have to be a resident of the State one year when his petition is received, or will one year from the time it is acted on do?

Answer. The law requires the applicant to have resided within the jurisdiction of the Chapter to which he applies, during six months next preceding the date of his application, except by permission of the Chapter nearest his place of residence.

Question. A Master Mason living a little nearer the town of S— than of W—, wishes to join the Chapter at the latter place, as it is more convenient for him. Does he have to get the consent of the Chapter at S— to waive jurisdiction?

Answer. Certainly. A Chapter has no right to receive an application for degrees from without its jurisdiction without the consent of the Chapter in whose jurisdiction the applicant resides.

Since last we met, one short year ago, the silent Reaper has invaded our ranks and taken therefrom two Companions who had attained to the highest pinnacle of Capitular Masonry in this Grand Body.

On the twenty-fifth day of May, 1890, Companion ADOLPHUS HOLLUS was admitted within the "celestial arch above, into the presence of the Heavenly Grand Council." His long life was one of activity. In masonry he took a lively interest, for, in the principles governing the Craft, he recognized those which were nearest and dearest to his heart—brotherly love, truth and charity. In the Lodge and Chapter he possessed the love and confidence of his brethren and Companions, who elevated him to the highest position in their gift, and crowned him with its honors. In 1862 he was elected Grand High Priest of this Grand Chapter, filling that high office with satisfaction to its members and honor to the Royal Craft. He was a regular and constant attendant on the Convocations of this Grand Body and an interested Companion in its deliberations. His memory is cherished by those who knew him as one who loved his fellow man and the right.

On December 28th, 1890, the spirit of Companion ALEX. GURDON ABELL "winged its flight to the unknown world." For so many years have we witnessed his "coming in and going out" among us that we were inclined to regard him as ours for all time. But "the finger of God touched him and he slept." In Masonry his name has been so prominent as to become a household word. For thirty-five years he was Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of California, and in that capacity he was regarded, "the wide world over," as a man of marked ability, and the right man in the right place. Born in 1818, the seventy-two years of his career exceeded the time allotted to man's earthly existence. He had been the recipient of the highest honors in the power of his Lodge and Chapter to bestow, and in 1876 he was chosen Grand High Priest of California. His memory will long live in the hearts of true Masons everywhere, but more particularly on the Pacific Coast, the field of his Masonic labors.

That the records of these two distinguished Companions may be more thoroughly known and disseminated, as well as the sentiments entertained by the members of this Grand Chapter for them and their memory, I recommend the appointment of a special committee for that purpose.

Not alone in this jurisdiction has the "Great Destroyer" decimated the number of prominent Companions, but in other fields have his labors been attended with results. He has visited our sister Grand Chapter of Oregon and removed therefrom our well beloved Companion, ALBERT W. FERGUSON, who had filled the positions of

Grand Master and Grand High Priest of that flourishing State. He was their first High Priest as well as their first Grand High Priest. Born in Virginia August 29th, 1821, he died February 25th, 1891, aged sixty-nine and a half years, and was buried with Masonic honors by *Temple Lodge, No. 7*, at Astoria, Oregon. He was held in high esteem and fraternal affection by all who knew him. Thus has our sister Grand Chapter of Oregon been called upon to mourn the loss of her first Grand High Priest in a little more than a year after the first Grand High Priest of California, Companion CHARLES M. RADCLIFF, was "called up higher." While extending to our sister Grand Chapter our fraternal greetings, we also tender our heartfelt sympathies and condole with her in her bereavement, adding in the spirit of consolation: "The Lord gave; the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord."

Death is no respecter of persons. The high and the low are equally amenable to his mandates. He has invaded the halls of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, and selected from among its officers Companion ALFRED F. CHAPMAN, a most worthy and efficient Past General Grand High Priest of the highest Body of Capitular Masonry. His long and faithful services for the welfare of the Craft, his courteous and genial nature, his deep and undying affection for the principles of Freemasonry, had endeared him to his friends, for his unswerving devotion to whom he was noted. "The Lord giveth his beloved rest."

Amendments to the By-Laws of several of the subordinate Chapters have been made, which will be presented to you, in detail, by the Grand Secretary. The certificates of the various Secretaries coming to me in proper form and under official seal, I have approved the action of the various Chapters in the premises.

Official information having been received of the establishment of a Grand Chapter in the Territory of Arizona, I recommend that she be recognized and welcomed into the sisterhood of Grand Chapters, and an exchange of Representatives between the Grand Jurisdictions of Arizona and California be made.

It was my intention, when vested with the authority of this high office, to visit during the year as many of the subordinate Chapters as might be possible. I soon learned, however, that "man proposes but God disposes." Circumstances, which I could not control, compelled my daily attendance at a business desk, and the result shows that my visits have been confined to those Chapters which I could go to and return from between business hours. Courtesy and genuine companionship have been accorded to me by the officers and members of the Chapters visited, and I take pleasure in acknowledging the same with my sincere thanks.

In every instance I found the Companions not only willing to receive, but anxious to obtain, instruction from an authoritative source, evincing a strong desire to possess, and the ability to transmit, the correct work.

So strongly have I been impressed with the benefits to be derived from the visits of the Grand High Priest to the subordinate Chapters, that I sincerely trust my successor will personally visit every Chapter in the jurisdiction. And should the present appropriation be inadequate to meet the expenses incurred by him on such visits, I suggest the propriety of increasing the amount to a requisite figure.

The Chapters that I have officially called upon, are as follows:—

July 23, 1890. *Oakland Chapter, No. 36*, which I found well officered, well instructed, and the Royal Arch degree conferred in a commendable manner. The attendance was large and the interest of the Companions in the good work of the officers was manifest.

February 19th, 1891. *St. Helena Chapter, No. 63*, where I held an election and installed the officers. On account of the residence of many of the members being far removed from the place of meeting the attendance was comparatively small, but the true, enthusiastic spirit existed among those present, and under the auspices of its new officers a newer and greater activity is assured.

March 13th, 1891. *Napa Chapter, No. 30*, where I witnessed the excellent working of its officers in the Royal Arch degree. Under the supervising care and guidance of those two *wheel horses* in Masonry, Companions KNAPP and GRITMAN, this Chapter is in a flourishing condition. The spirit of emulation of "who can best work and best agree" exists among the officers, and harmony reigns among the Companions.

March 23d, 1891. *San Francisco Chapter, No. 1*, and

March 24th, 1891. *California Chapter, No. 5*.

In both these Chapters the Royal Arch degree was conferred in a manner almost faultless. Much of this accuracy is doubtless attributable to the nearness of, and ease of access to, the ear of the Grand Lecturer, of whose instruction the officers have availed themselves.

March 25, 1891. *Saltinas Chapter, No. 59*. This Chapter is located at the home of my predecessor, Companion VANDERHURST, whose love of Masonry has prompted his personal efforts for the benefit of the Chapter, and his success is manifest in the efficiency of its officers, the attendance and harmonious interest of its members, and its general prosperity.

On these occasions, recognizing the truth of the adage, "all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy," the Companions provided a suitable repast where the inner man was refreshed, the spirit of sociability cultivated, and the "feast of reason and flow of soul" indulged in. It was pleasant to notice the enjoyment which each and every Companion derived from this feature of the evening, and at its close, which was always at a seasonable hour, had a vote been taken on the questions: "Are we better men? Are we better Masons? Are we better and more favorably acquainted with each other, closer and stronger friends?" it would have been unanimously, *aye*. These occasional interchanges of greeting and sentiment draw us nearer to the Supreme Giver of all good, and to each other, and enable us to more fully realize the meaning of that comprehensive word, *Companion*.

On the last of these visits I had the encouragement and assistance [of Past Grand High Priest Wm. A. DAVIES and our efficient Grand Secretary, THOS. H. CASWELL, to both whom my sincere thanks are due.

I should deviate from the beaten path, and possibly be considered derelict in duty, did I not follow the example of my distinguished predecessors and pay just tribute to the worth and efficiency of our Grand Secretary. To a Grand High Priest his knowledge and experience are invaluable. Ever at his post, and always ready and willing to impart such information as may be required, the labors of the chief officer are lightened. My experience in this respect is no exception to that of my predecessors, and I desire to express, in this public manner, my appreciation of his valuable assistance, and return to him therefor my sincere thanks.

And now, Companions, being about to return to you the authority with which you invested me one year ago, I do so with the confident assurance that, while the record of my labors may fall short of your expectations, the condition of the Royal Craft in this jurisdiction is no less harmonious and prosperous now than then. The report of our Grand Secretary will represent that it is even more so. My intercourse with the officers and members of this Grand Body and the subordinate Chapters has always been of the most pleasing character, and while extending to you my warm and heartfelt thanks I bespeak for my successor that uniform courtesy and kindness so generously bestowed on me. And when, in the future, your minds shall revert to the past, may there be

" —deposited upon the silent shore
Of memory, images and precious thoughts
That shall not die, and cannot be destroyed."

FRANKLIN H. DAY,
Grand High Priest.

Which Address was referred to a special committee of three.

The Deputy Grand High Priest announced as such committee—

On Grand High Priest's Address :..... { Comp. William Abraham Davies,
" Jacob Hart Neff,
" William Vanderhurst.

The Grand Secretary presented his Annual Report, as follows :

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California :—

As per requirement of the Constitution of the Grand Chapter the undersigned respectfully submits the following report of the transactions of his office since the last Annual Convocation, together with other matters requiring the consideration of the Grand Chapter :—

In twenty-one days after the close of the last Annual Convocation, the transactions thereat were printed, and the usual number distributed as follows: One copy to each of the Grand Officers and Past Grand Officers of this Grand Chapter; one copy to each of our Representatives near other Grand Chapters; three copies to each Grand Chapter with which we are in communication, and four copies to each of the subordinate Chapters of this Grand Jurisdiction.

A dispensation for the formation of a new Chapter was issued on August 8th, 1890, to Companions CARLOS FREDERICK MANSUR, JAMES WILLIAM TOWNER, JAMES RANDOLPH MEDLOCK, and sixteen other companions, to form a Chapter at Santa Ana, Orange Co., to be called *Orange Chapter*. The petition for dispensation, and all the papers required by the Constitution, the Record book, By-Laws and Book of Marks, and returned dispensations, together with petition for perpetuation by charter, are herewith submitted, for reference to the usual committee.

By order of the Grand High Priest, the following special dispensations have been issued during the year, viz.:—

On the seventeenth day of April, 1890, to *San Francisco Chapter*, No. 1, to use two substitutes in the ceremony of Exaltation;

On December 30th, 1890, to *Solano Chapter*, No. 43, to elect officers at other than the constitutional period of time;

On January 12th, 1891, to *Woodland Chapter*, No. 46, for the same purpose;

On February 19, 1891, to *Saint Helena Chapter*, No. 63, to elect officers as above;

On the twenty-eighth day of February, 1891, to *Colusa Chapter*, No. 60, to elect officers;

And on the twenty-fifth day of March, 1891, to *Salinas Chapter*, No. 59, to ballot on petition for the degrees of Royal Arch Masonry, in less than the constitutional period of time.

Commissions to Representatives of this Grand Chapter near other Grand Chapters, have been issued by order of the Grand High Priest, as follows :—

On the twenty-fifth day of April, 1890, to Comp. J. SIMPSON AFRICA, near the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania;

On the sixth day of May, 1890, to Comp. THOMAS J. WILDER, near the Grand Chapter of North Dakota;

On the fifth day of June, 1890, to Comp. ANGEL S. MYERS, near the Grand Chapter of Tennessee;

On the twelfth day of August, 1890, to Comp. JAMES E. COES, near the Grand Chapter of Connecticut;

On the sixth day of October, 1890, to Comp. WILLIAM HENRY TULLOH, near the Grand Chapter of New South Wales; and

On the second day of April, 1891, to Comp. PETER C. MURPHY, near the Grand Chapter of South Dakota.

Amendments to the By-Laws of *Sonora Chapter*, No. 2, *Washington*, No. 13, *Manzanita*, No. 29, *Napa*, No. 30, and *Doric*, No. 66, changing the time of holding the

stated meetings, and of *Sutter* Chapter, No. 11, reducing the annual dues, and *Napa*, No. 30, increasing the same, all approved by the Grand High Priest, are herewith submitted for reference to the Committee on By-Laws.

Another of our old time Chapters, *Oliver*, No. 23, surrenders to the inevitable after years of fruitless struggle for life. In fact it has been to all intents and purposes dead for three years last past; no meetings for any purpose having been held during that time, notwithstanding the efforts of a faithful few to secure a quorum to take the necessary legal measures for surrender of the charter. Of the seventeen members borne upon the roll, only five are remaining in the vicinity or jurisdiction of the Chapter. The hopelessness of further effort at resuscitation was so apparent, and the situation so vividly portrayed by the Inspector for that District, *M. E. Comp. JACOB HART NEFF*, that upon his suggestion, Past High Priest *Comp. ESKINE ALLAN* was requested to take charge of the records and effects of the Chapter, collect the dues outstanding, and report to the undersigned its true condition. His report is herewith submitted, from which it appears that said Chapter is some three hundred dollars in debt, but which the Blue Lodge will pay if the Chapter's interest in the Masonic Hall is transferred to it in consideration of such payment. It is all the interest is worth, and the Grand Chapter should accede to the proposition. *Comp. ALLAN* has also collected of the dues outstanding, and paid to the undersigned the sum of eighty-nine dollars, as appears in the financial statement below.

In view of the fact that the surrender was occasioned by no fault of the members of the Chapter, but is the result of circumstances beyond their control, the undersigned respectfully suggests that the surrender, though informal, be accepted, and that the Grand Secretary be directed to issue certificates of good standing to such as have paid, or may hereafter pay, the dues that may be owing, as per statement on file.

It is well known to the Companions of this Grand Chapter, that at its Annual Convocation in 1882, *Comp. FRANK DOWNING TUNIS*—the High Priest of the late *Lakeport* Chapter, No. 54—was rather summarily dealt with, to say the least, and by resolution was expelled from all the rights and privileges of Royal Arch Masonry. The provocation for the proceeding was certainly very great, if not wholly justifiable; but a full acknowledgment by him of the wrong committed, and a belief that the punishment has been ample, the undersigned respectfully submits a communication from the Companion named, and expresses the hope that the Grand Chapter will extend the restoration prayed for. None knows better than the undersigned the valuable services of the Companion theretofore rendered to Royal Arch Masonry; also his zeal for its best interests generally.

From the following will appear the degree of prosperity of the Royal Craft in this Grand Jurisdiction during the year ending with January thirty-first, 1891:—

Number exalted during the year,	241
" affiliated,	85
" restored,	25
" Number petitioners for <i>Orange</i> Chapter, U. D.,	19
Total increase,	370
Number withdrawn,	76
" excluded,	22
" suspended for non-payment of dues,	72
" died,	97
Total decrease,	267
Net increase for the year,	103
Total number of affiliated Royal Arch Masons January 31st, 1891,	4736

The following is a statement of the financial transactions of the Grand Secretary's office for the past year :—

Received from chartered Chapters for dues to January 31st, 1891,.....	\$3531 75
“ “ members of late <i>Bodie</i> Chapter—dues.....	10 00
“ “ “ “ <i>Plumas</i> Chapter—dues,	70 00
“ “ “ “ <i>Oliver</i> Chapter—dues,	89 00
“ “ <i>Orange</i> Chapter—dispensation fee,	75 00
“ “ “ “ dues to April 1st, 1891,.....	20 25
“ “ “ “ Charter fee,	50 00
“ “ three dispensations to elect officers,	15 00
“ “ one dispensation to ballot without reference,.....	5 00
“ “ one dispensation to use two substitutes,	5 00
“ “ eleven diplomas,.....	22 00
“ “ sale nine volumes of Proceedings,	18 00
“ “ dividends Masonic Hall Association,.....	1700 00

Making total receipts for the year,.....\$5611 00

Amount paid to Grand Treasurer, as per his receipts herewith presented, \$5611 00

Thirty-four warrants have been drawn upon the Grand Treasurer,
amounting in the aggregate to.....\$3515 95.

All which is respectfully submitted.

THOMAS H. CASWELL,

Grand Secretary.

Which report was referred to the special committee to which was referred the Address of the Grand High Priest.

The Grand Treasurer presented his Annual Report, as follows :—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California:—

The undersigned respectfully begs leave to submit the following report of the receipts and disbursements of the Grand Treasurer since the last Annual Convocation :—

H. T. GRAVES, *Grand Treasurer, in account with the Grand Chapter of California.*

1890.	DR.
April 16. To balance on hand as per last report,.....	\$4212 60
1891.	
April 20. To cash received from Grand Secretary April	
1890, to date,.....	\$5611 00
To interest on deposits in the San Francisco	
Savings Union,.....	12 07
	<hr/> \$5623 07
	<hr/> \$ 9835 67
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1890.	CONTRA.	OR.
April 16. Paid Delegates to the Annual Convocation, as per pay roll,.....		\$ 999 90
" Grand Officers, as per pay roll,.....		56 50
" Finance Committee, as per pay roll,.....		46 30
		<u>\$1102 70</u>
" T. H. Caswell, salary as Grand Secretary, vouchers Nos. 2, 6, 10, 15, 18, 20, 21, 22, 24, 27, 29 and 30,.....		1800 00
" James Oglesby, salary as Grand Guard, voucher No. 1,.....		26 20
" T. H. Caswell and others, for expenses Gr. Secretary's office, vouchers Nos. 3, 4, 7, 13, 14, 16, 23, 26, 32, 33 and 34,.....		193 75
" Samuel D. Mayer, salary as Grand Organist, voucher No. 5,.....		25 00
" Eastman & Co., printing proceedings, voucher No. 8,.....		725 00
" S. W. Shaw, portrait P. G. H. P. Wm. Vanderhurst, voucher No. 11,.....		77 00
" H. S. Orme, expenses attending General Grand Chapter, voucher No. 9,.....		100 00
" T. H. Caswell, Gr. Secretary, for dues to General Grand Chapter, voucher No. 12,.....		47 00
" Geo. Standart, rent due him from <i>Plumas</i> Chapter, (Charter surrendered), voucher No. 17, . . .		60 00
" J. B. McIntyre, binding Proceedings, voucher No. 19,.....		87 00
" Masonic Hall Association, rent of Grand Secretary's office, voucher No. 25,.....		300 00
" F. H. Day, Grand High Priest, expenses official visitations, vouchers Nos. 28 and 31,.....		75 00
		<u>\$3515 95</u>
		<u>\$4618 65</u>
Balance on deposit S. F. Savings Union,		5217 02
		<u>\$ 9885 67</u>

The Assets of the Grand Chapter are as follows :

Cash on hand as above,.....	\$ 5,217 02
1700 shares Masonic Hall stock, at \$16.00 per share,	\$27,200 00
	<u>\$32,417 02</u>
Total,.....	\$32,417 02

All which is respectfully submitted.

H. T. GRAVES, *Grand Treasurer.*

Which report was referred to the Committee on Finances.

The Grand Lecturer made a verbal report upon the condition of the Chapters of the jurisdiction, showing them to be prosperous and harmonious, and that greater uniformity in the ritual and work is now apparent than at any previous time in the history of this Grand Body.

Comp. THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL, from the Committee on Correspondence, presented the following report, the reading of which was dispensed with, the members being furnished with printed copies thereof :—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California :—

Your Committee on Correspondence respectfully report that they have reviewed the proceedings of the following Grand Chapters :—

ALABAMA,.....1890	KENTUCKY,.....1890
ARIZONA,.....1890	MAINE,.....1890
ARKANSAS,.....1890	MARYLAND,.....1890
CANADA,.....1890	MINNESOTA,.....1890
COLORADO,.....1890	MISSISSIPPI,.....1890
CONNECTICUT,.....1890	NEBRASKA,.....1889
DELAWARE,.....1890	NEW SOUTH WALES,.....1890
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,.....1890	NORTH CAROLINA,.....1890
FLORIDA,.....1890	OHIO,.....1890
ILLINOIS,.....1890	OREGON,.....1890
INDIANA,.....1890	RHODE ISLAND,.....1890
INDIAN TERRITORY,.....1890	VIRGINIA,.....1890
IOWA,.....1890	

Your Committee have also received the following; but were unable to review them owing to the crippled condition of the right hand of the chairman, which he was unable to use for any purpose for *five weeks* previous to this present Convocation. They therefore trust that this acknowledgment will be accepted as sufficient until the next annual session, when they hope to give a full review.

GEORGIA,.....1890	NOVA SCOTIA,.....1890
KANSAS,.....1890	PENNSYLVANIA,.....1889
MASACHUSETTS,.....1890	QUEBEC,.....1890
MICHIGAN,.....1891	SOUTH DAKOTA,.....1890
MISSOURI,.....1890	TENNESSEE,.....1890
NEVADA,.....1890	TEXAS,.....1889
NEW HAMPSHIRE,.....1890	VERMONT,.....1890
NEW JERSEY,.....1890	WASHINGTON,.....1890
NEW YORK,.....1890	WISCONSIN,.....1890
NORTH DAKOTA,.....1890	

Commencing with the first in alphabetical order as well as in reliability, we submit the following :

ALABAMA.

The sixty-fourth Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Montgomery on the first day of December, 1890,—the *M. E.* JOHN GIDEON HARRIS, Grand High Priest, presiding, the *R. E.* MYLES JEFFERSON GREENE being Grand Secretary. Thirty-three subordinate Chapters were represented.

In a somewhat brief address, the Grand High Priest says :—

"On the twenty-first day of May, A. D. 1823, the Grand Chapter of Alabama was organized in the city of Mobile, and Comp. DUGALD MCFARLANE, of Tuscaloosa, was chosen Grand High Priest. Since that event, Capitalar Masonry in Alabama has had its prosperity and its adversity, its forward and its retrograde movements. To-day we meet in our sixty-fourth Annual Grand Convocation, and, invoking the richest and best benedictions of Heaven upon you and yours, I most cordially greet you within our Masonic Temple as companions and representatives

ARKANSAS.

This Grand Chapter held its forty-first Annual Convocation in the city of Little Rock on the twentieth day of November, 1890,—the *M. E.* SAMUEL PEETE, Grand High Priest, presiding, the *R. E.* JAMES A. HENRY being Grand Secretary. Forty-four chartered Chapters were represented by fifty-seven delegates.

The Grand High Priest's Address is far above the ordinary productions of this character, and shows its author to be a companion whose work will pass the test of the Master Overseer's square. He says :—

"This institution has stood at the beginning of empires erected upon the ruins of dynasties and witnessed the erection of republics upon the downfall of kingdoms. It has seen these flourish in all their majestic strength, extending their domains beyond seas and oceans, finding no limit to their sway nor opposition to their power, rearing domes of taste and towers of strength as monuments to their endurance, and when she looked again, behold ! they were not. And yet, amid the wreck of empires, the overthrow of dynasties, the downfall of kingdoms and destruction of republics, this institution of ours has gone on increasing its numbers, extending its borders, and making glad the hearts of men who were with sadness oppressed and sorrow brought low. The sword is not her biographer, nor is her history written in blood. But the gentle spirit of Charity makes mention of her doings in deeds of kindness under the sign of silence, which brings food to the hungry and clothing to the naked. Nor is this all. When one of her votaries retires to a quiet secluded spot, when no eye can see save that which is never closed, no ear can hear save His which is always open to the petitions of the weak, trembling, humble penitent—he prays for the return of his straying brother to the folds of virtue again ; his Father hears his prayer, and to his request mercy is given. This institution, companions, cannot die nor become extinct. It hath for its foundation Hope, Faith and Charity. Hope, which leads us step by step in search of that temple which is not made with hands ; Faith, which assures us that by an upright life, and an abiding confidence in the atonement made for a broken law, we shall find it ; and Charity, the angel that opens the door for our happy entrance where the Grand High Priest forever presides."

He makes appropriate mention of the dead in his own and other jurisdictions, paying a glowing tribute to the memory of the late Grand Treasurer, Comp. GEORGE H. MEADE, who died on the eighteenth day of October, 1890, after having held the office of Grand Treasurer for thirteen years.

Under the head of "Non-Affiliates," he says :—

"This part of our Order is agitating the several Grand Jurisdictions of Masonry in the United States, and a remedy for the cause is being anxiously sought for by those who have the good of the institution uppermost in their minds. From the best information I am able to gain, the chief cause lies in the fact that the companions fail to acquaint themselves with the ceremonies pertaining to the Order. How often is it the case that if the High Priest is absent the Chapter is not opened. This is proof conclusive that the King and Scribe feel their inability to discharge the duties pertaining to their office. The world is delighted to hear a recitation when the scholar can calmly and deliberately recite it. But what a fearful strain is placed upon an audience when the reciter is wholly unacquainted with his piece. What can persuade that audience to go and hear again the same unprepared declaimer. So it is with Masonry. Let it be known that one of the shining luminaries of the Craft will visit a Chapter and see with what eagerness the companions hasten to the Temple. See what an increase in numbers on that occasion. This shows the love they have for the beautiful tenets of the Order, and how anxious they are to hear one who, acquainted with the ceremonies, fluently recites them. If this be true, surely the remedy is with us, for the ignorance which produces it can be made to give way to wisdom.

"I would suggest that a suitable Instructor be appointed by this Grand Chapter, whose duty it shall be to hold schools of instruction in each district in this State at the most central point therein, for at least two days in each year, requiring the

Grand Council, Captain of the Host, Principal Sojourner and Royal Arch Captain of each Chapter to attend for instruction in all the ceremonies pertaining to the Order. I believe the effects growing out of this school would give to Masonry an exalted position in the estimation of her votaries that would cause each companion to feel proud that he was a member of the Order."

That the Grand High Priest has a heart that can feel for another is evidenced by the following :—

"I would respectfully call your attention to the faithful and competent manner in which our highly esteemed Secretary has so long discharged the onerous duties of his office; and would kindly suggest to you to raise his salary proportionate to his worth. For thirteen years he has served us faithfully, and I think the general prosperity of the Craft would allow us to increase his pay without injury to the Fraternity at large."

We looked anxiously at the report of the Finance Committee, hoping to find that the suggestion of the Grand High Priest would be adopted, but that and all other committees are most eloquently silent on the subject.

The following resolution was submitted :—

"*Resolved*, That hereafter no Chapter Mason shall retain his membership who is not an affiliated Master Mason in some Blue Lodge."

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Masonic Law and Usage, which committee reported as follows :—

"1. That a candidate for the Chapter degrees must be an affiliated Master Mason; and whenever a member of a Chapter in this State, who is now, or hereafter becomes a willfully non-affiliated Master Mason, the High Priest of his Chapter shall declare him suspended from his Chapter until he affiliates with some Lodge, or endeavors to do so at least every twelve months.

"2. That when a Chapter Mason is expelled or is suspended from his Lodge either for unmasonic conduct or non-payment of dues, his membership in his Chapter shall cease until he is reinstated in his Lodge."

The report was adopted. Poor, unfortunate non-affiliates, how we do pity them. California has been most unmercifully scored by the tender-hearted sympathizers with the down trodden non-affiliate for having practically the same law, and we are pleased to see that Arkansas falls into line and says to her Royal Arch Masons, you must cling to the rock which is the foundation of all Masonry, or we will make Arkansas travelers of you.

The Finance Committee report a balance of \$2,460 05, \$1,290 67 of which is due from the estate of the late Grand Treasurer.

A telegraphic greeting was sent to the venerable companion, ALBERT PIKE, who replied as follows :—

"I return grateful thanks to the Grand Royal Arch Chapter for its kind message and good wishes, and am glad to be able to say that I am gaining strength and can now sit up some hours each day.

ALBERT PIKE."

Comp. R. J. LAUGHLIN presents a brief but well-written Report on Correspondence, reviewing, or rather noticing, the proceedings of forty Grand Chapters, some of them being disposed of in three lines. His notice of California for 1890 is courteous and fraternal. He says of the Address of M. E. Comp. VANDEKURHURST, that "It shows a careful, painstaking interest in the affairs of the Grand Chapter, and that it is in a most prosperous condition."

He makes two brief extracts from our report, complimenting us by saying :

"His entire report of one hundred pages is full of interest."

Thanks, companion.

In his notice of Louisiana, he says :—

"An amendment to the Constitution was proposed, prohibiting life membership. This will be watched with much interest, for we believe the large proportion of life members in that State (216 out of 584) one cause for the decline of Royal Arch Masonry in that jurisdiction. Our one year's experience with the 'honorary membership regulation' indicated that this theory could not be successfully worked if left in the hands of the subordinate Chapters. The principle of rewarding long and faithful service is a good one, and its abuse might be prevented by the Grand Chapter prescribing what 'long and faithful service' was, and providing for uniform life membership as a reward for a long term of faithful service. But 'selling indulgences,' or permitting subordinate Chapters who have indulged their members until they have no money to pay Grand Chapter dues, to vote a majority of their delinquent members 'honorary members,' works badly."

We concur.

There are sixty-one chartered Chapters in this jurisdiction, and two under dispensation, having an aggregate membership of 1,883.

The *M. E.* CHARLES N. RIX was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* JAMES A. HENRY was re-elected Grand Secretary.

CANADA.

This Grand Chapter held its thirty-third Annual Convocation in the city of Kingston on the eighteenth day of July, 1890,—the *M. E.* R. B. HUNGERFORD, Grand Z., presiding, the *R. E.* DAVID McLELLAN being Grand Scribe E. Fifty-nine subordinate Chapters were represented.

In opening his Address the Grand Z. calls attention to the ravages of death in their ranks during the past year. Prominent among those who have laid down the burden of life since the last Annual Convocation, we find the name of *M. E.* Comp. HENRY MACPHERSON, Past Grand Z. and Representative of our Grand Chapter near the Grand Chapter of Canada. He died at his residence in Owen Sound, on the fourth day of August, 1889. Of him the Grand Z. says:—

"Most of you are aware how much he was respected both in private and Masonic life. To those of us who had the pleasure of meeting him from year to year at our Annual Convocations, his counsel and opinions were valued most highly, not only for the kind and unobtrusive manner in which they were given, but also for their sound judgment and good common sense.

"When such men as he die,
Their places ye may not well supply;
Though ye among thousands try
With vain endeavor."

An upright man, a good citizen, a true and consistent Mason, he has carried up his work for inspection. May it be accepted by the Master Overseer, and the wages of a true and faithful workman paid him. *E. Comp.* SAMUEL WESTER, Barrie, Ontario, has been commissioned as his successor.

He recommended that warrants be withdrawn from Chapters which have not complied with the Constitution. He says:—

"I am also in favor of giving Chapters the privilege of conferring their degrees in any warranted Lodge-room, within its own Masonic district, having sufficient accommodation. By granting this privilege, numbers of brethren would have the opportunity of becoming Royal Arch Masons, who cannot, without great inconvenience and expense, under our present system. We would also have a fewer number of inactive members than we have at present.

"It must be apparent to those attending our Annual Convocations that we have too much Masonry crowded into one short week—the Board of General Purposes, various committee meetings, Great Priory, Grand Council, Grand Lodge, and finally, when the time comes for the Grand Chapter to meet, there is a natural inclination to rush our business through with undue haste. The success of any institution largely depends on the time and mature consideration given to its affairs.

It might, therefore, be of advantage to Grand Chapter to separate its time of meeting from that of Grand Lodge, thus making it much more of a Masonic event than it assumes at present. As it is almost impossible, owing to the time allowed District Superintendents to send in their reports, for the presiding officer of Grand Chapter to give as full and reliable information concerning the condition of Royal Arch Masonry, in his message to Grand Chapter, as should be expected from him, I would, therefore, recommend that Superintendents be requested to forward their reports at least one month previous to the meeting of Grand Chapter."

The reports of the various Grand Superintendents of Districts show the subordinate Chapters, with a few exceptions, to be in a fairly prosperous condition.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows a balance on hand of \$1,873 67, and the total assets of the Grand Chapter, \$17,373 67.

The legislation was entirely of local interest.

The Report on Correspondence is, as usual, from the genial pen of Comp. HENRY ROBERTSON, and comprises a review of the proceedings of thirty-eight Grand Chapters, including those of California for 1889. Under the head of "District of Columbia," he expresses our sentiments fully in the following:—

"We are opposed to public installations for the same reasons that we deprecate too much public parade of Masonry at any time or place. Masonry is not a proselytizing institution and does not need to court the popular favor. We do not allow our members to solicit candidates to join, nor should we go into a wholesale invitation business by making a show of Masonry on trivial occasions. To lay a cornerstone of a public or a Masonic edifice, and to attend the funeral of a brother, are about the only occasions that we believe Masons should show themselves in public clothed with the badges of the Order."

His notice of California is brief but fraternal. He thinks our Constitution is most encouraging. He quotes our remarks under Indiana upon the subject of suspension for non-payment of dues, and, as he makes no comment, we take it for granted that "silence gives consent." In conclusion, he says:—

"As Royal Arch Masons it is pleasant to contemplate the general prosperity attending the Craft in these 'Golden Days' of Freemasonry. There never was a time when so many influential men were connected with the Order, and not simply contenting themselves with being members, but engaging actively in Craft work.

"It should be our duty to see that by no act of ours is the reputation of the Fraternity injured, and we should always remember that as we ascend in the mysteries of the Order our obligations are increased and the sphere of our action is enlarged. The attributes of our profession contain principles and virtues which should animate us to rise superior to the sordid selfishness of groveling mortality and to shake off at once and forever all those vices that degrade, chill and brutalize all the generous aspirations of the heart.

"We should cultivate that unbounded *hospitality* that greets and cheers the way-worn pilgrim with pure *benevolence*, unsolicited and unbought; that *courage* and *constancy* which tread with untiring step the rugged road of virtue and subdue every obstacle in the path of duty; that *humility* and *patience* which melt away the natural asperities of our imperfect nature and endure without murmuring all the ills that flesh is heir to, and that *truth* which is mighty above all things and which shall flourish in triumph when earthly things are passing away.

"To these high and moral feelings we are pledged by sacred obligations to conform our practice among men and our relations with each other, and it is for ourselves to determine the practical exemplifications of the principles we profess. May the good work go on till

" 'Peace shall reign

And love shall fill men's hearts and lives for evermore.' "

There are eighty-three subordinate Chapters on the roll in this jurisdiction, with a total membership of 3,807.

The M. E. Comp. J. J. MASON was elected Grand Z., and the R. E. Comp. DAVID McLELLAN was re-elected Grand Scribe E.

COLORADO.

This Grand Chapter held its sixteenth Annual Convocation in the city of Denver on the eighteenth day of September, 1890,—the R. E. GEORGE E. OLIN, Deputy Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. ED. C. PARMELEE being Grand Secretary. Twenty-three subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Deputy Grand High Priest directed the Grand Captain of the Host to inform the Grand High Priest, M. E. SAMUEL H. THOMPSON, that the Grand Royal Arch Chapter was opened and awaited his presence. SAMUEL was so informed, came in, was received with the Grand Honors, assumed his station, and the business of the Convocation was proceeded with. This is altogether a new wrinkle. We always believed that it was the duty of the Grand High Priest, when present, to open the Grand Chapter in person. That, at least, is the way we have always seen it done.

The Address of the Grand High Priest is of remarkable brevity. In it he says:—

"The past year has been a quiet one. Nothing aside from the usual routine of business has attracted my attention. Our relations with foreign Grand Chapters are of the most pleasant character, while the condition of the Craft at home is most encouraging. No differences or grievances among the Chapters or its members have been reported to me. Our gain in membership will compare favorably with former years."

He announces the death of Past Grand High Priest JOHN R. HAMBEL, and pays a fraternal tribute to his memory. His official acts were few and of no general interest.

We note the following decisions:—

"Question 1. Is an objection after a ballot a bar to the advancement of a candidate?"

"Answer. Yes. It has the same effect as an unfavorable ballot.

"Question 2. What length of time will the candidate have to wait?"

"Answer. The same as though rejected by ballot. Such objection has no greater force or effect than an unfavorable ballot.

"Question 3. Is a verbal objection sent by another Companion a legal objection to be observed by the Chapter?"

"Answer. No.

"Question 4. Is a saloon-keeper an eligible petitioner for the Chapter degrees?"

"Answer. There is no law of this Grand Chapter forbidding it.

"Question 5. Can a Companion hold the office of High Priest and Treasurer at the same time?"

"Answer. No.

The following resolution was submitted to him for his approval:

"Resolved, That it is the sense of this Chapter that no member shall be elected and installed High Priest of this Chapter who is a presiding officer of any other Masonic body in this jurisdiction.

"Answer. Any Royal Arch Mason in good and regular standing is eligible to the office of High Priest in his Chapter.

The Grand Treasurer reports on hand the handsome balance of \$3,602.21, for which sum he presented a certified check, and vouchers for disbursements. *Grand Junction* Chapter U. D. was granted a charter; also, *Montrose* Chapter.

The Grand Chapters of North Dakota, South Dakota and Indian Territory were formally recognized and were accorded a genial welcome into the Royal Arch family. The decisions of the Grand High Priest were approved.

The following proposed amendment to the By-Laws was referred to the Com-

mittee on Jurisprudence, which committee reporting favorably upon it, it was adopted by a three-fourths vote.

"Section 27. It is hereby made the imperative duty of all Chapters to restrain, as far as possible, the Masonic crime of intemperance, by trial and punishment, as the case may require. It shall be unlawful to advance or affiliate any person engaged in the sale of intoxicating liquors, as a beverage. All companions are fraternally advised to refrain from engaging in the liquor traffic."

The following resolution was also adopted :

"Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Grand Secretary to procure a suitable jewel for each outgoing Grand High Priest, to be presented him at the end of his term of office."

A well prepared Report on Correspondence is furnished by Comp. ERNEST LE NEVE FOSTER, this being his second successful attempt in this line. Comp. FOSTER reviews the proceedings of forty Grand Chapters, four of them for two years. His notice of California for 1890 is pleasantly written, and he speaks in very complimentary terms of our report for that year. He says :—

"The Report on Correspondence is again from the pen of the able Grand Secretary, R. : E. Comp. THOS. HUBBARD CASWELL, and appears as part of the proceedings, and not as an appendix, as is the case, I believe, in every other jurisdiction, and contains a review of forty-one Grand Chapters.

"Colorado receives considerable attention, and many kind words are accorded it. "This report is among the most able that has come under our notice, and there are many things in it which might well be repeated ; but our space and time are limited."

Under Connecticut, he quotes from Comp. BARLOW on the question of voting upon applications for dimitts. Comp. BARLOW says :—

"We approve of the vote being required. There are cases when the Lodge or Chapter would be justified in refusing such dimitts when the granting of them would severely impair the strength of the Lodge, and our jurisdiction allows Lodges to withhold dimitts in such cases. The writer, while wielding the gavel of the Grand Master of Connecticut, found it necessary to forbid a small Lodge from granting dimitts to a number of its members who, in a hasty moment, had applied for them, the granting of which would probably have broken up the Lodge. Such cases, we admit, are rare, but we think enough to make the requirement of a vote necessary. The first law of nature, 'self-preservation,' should not be lost sight of."

Commenting upon this, Comp. FOSTER says :—

"We are inclined to the opposite view, as we believe a companion has a right to sever his membership with a Chapter whenever it pleases him to do so, provided no charges are pending and his dues are fully paid. To allow a vote opens the door for trouble, by compelling a companion to remain a member when he does not desire it. Masonry is not compulsory, but everything is to be done of our own free will and accord. The cases related by Comp. BARLOW are so rare that it is not necessary to legislate for them."

We concur.

Under Illinois, on the question of movable location of Grand Chapters, he says, and we agree :—

"For ourselves, we prefer the plan of definite location. It seems more home-like to meet in the same place year by year ; and then all the records can be readily reached if occasion should require ; and we all know that it frequently occurs that some old matter has to be looked into. The library suggestion of Comp. PEARSON is also a very important feature, for no matter how well versed the companion may be, reference to precedents is always advisable."

Under Indiana, he says :—

"We do not think that Chapters U. D. should elect to membership. They are only the creatures of the Grand High Priest, and are, in reality, opened by

his proxy, and by no other authority. He states in his dispensation who the companions are that are thus authorized to open a Chapter, and, as they act for him, they should not be permitted to add to their number whomsoever they pleased without consulting him, except by exaltation, which he gives them express authority to do."

We cannot and never could see the impropriety of allowing Chapters U. D. to add to their membership. We have never heard one valid argument adduced against it. If Chapters are allowed to add to their membership by conferring the degrees upon worthy applicants, why, in the name of common sense, should they be deprived of the privilege of increasing their numbers by affiliation? But the regulations of the General Grand Chapter settle the matter definitely:—

"A Chapter under dispensation possesses all the rights and privileges granted and conferred by the Grand Chapter upon a Chapter working under charter, except the right to elect officers while working under dispensation."

There are many good things in this excellent report which we had marked for comment, but we can spare room only for Comp. FOSTER's "Conclusion":—

"For the forty-fourth time we have written the word 'reviewed' on the back of a volume, thus completing our work for the year, by attempting to convey to our companions an idea of what is passing all around us in the Capitular world. To say that we are glad it is done is both true and untrue. We are glad, because a duty is performed, and if our labor produces any fruit, or gives pleasure or knowledge to any, our labor will not have been in vain, and we shall be amply rewarded. We are sorry, because when we have time we enjoy so greatly the perusal of those pages, and gather much useful information from those who are so better informed than we are, but who are so ready to impart their knowledge. Perhaps we may not be again chosen to perform this labor, and, therefore, we must acknowledge the universal kindness of the reportorial staff in the reception of our former attempt. It gave us courage to try again and cheered us on our way."

There are twenty-five chartered Chapters in this jurisdiction, with a total membership of 1,716.

The M. E. CEYLON E. OLIN was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. ED. C. PARMELEE was re-elected Grand Secretary.

CONNECTICUT.

The ninety-second Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Hartford on the thirteenth day of May, 1890,—the M. E. JOHN O. ROWLAND, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. JOSEPH K. WHEELER being Grand Secretary. Thirty-seven subordinate Chapters were represented.

With the exception of fraternal tributes paid to the honored dead of his own and other jurisdictions, the Address of the Grand High Priest is entirely confined to a recital of his official acts and to matters of purely local interest. He announces the death of the venerable Past Grand High Priest DAVID CLARK, who laid down the burden of life at the ripe age of eighty-three years. Of him the Grand High Priest says:—

"Comp. CLARK was born in Chaplin, Conn., in 1806, where he was raised as a farmer boy. At an early age he located in Hartford, entering into a mercantile life, and secured a fortune, which, by his kindly nature and generous heart, has proved a blessing, not only to himself, but to others. His charities were ever flowing out, like water from a copious spring, ever full and overflowing, diffusing joy and gladness and dispelling sorrow, as the water refreshes the parched and thirsty earth.

"The lessons taught by Masonry were speedily grasped and interwoven with his life and character, expanding and enlarging, until the better part of his nature was touched by the invisible hand, which became the supreme ruling force of his life. He learned well the God-given precept of *humanity to man*.

"In earlier years he was an active worker among the Craft, filling all stations with ability, and in due time was advanced to the position of Grand Master, and afterwards to the office of Grand High Priest and Grand Commander.

"His warfare is ended and his life-work is completed. He sleeps! The grave indeed can claim its own, and but its own, and all that is mortal has been laid away beneath the shadows of the trees, whose fading leaves, falling upon the new-made grave, are telling the lesson of mortality. But the evergreen, the symbol of the Mason's hope, teaches that there is a life beyond the shadows, and that death is but the lifting of the veil that drapes the portals of eternity.

"His trust was in God, through His redeeming love, and to Him, who doeth all things well, we commend the spirit of our departed companion."

The Grand Treasurer reports a balance on hand of \$415 14.

The Committees on Jurisprudence and Grievance reported that their respective portfolios were hung upon the willows, or words to that effect.

A cordial greeting was extended to the new Grand Chapters of North and South Dakota and Indian Territory.

The Report on Correspondence is again from our esteemed companion, JOHN H. BARLOW, and is fully up to his usual high standard. The proceedings of thirty-nine Grand Capitular Juridictions are pleasantly reviewed in this report, including those of California for 1889. He quotes copiously from our report of that year and with apparent approbation of the views expressed. For kindly personal mention he has our thanks. Under the head of "Illinois," he says:—

"On the due question, Comp. PEARSON and ourselves are in full agreement. He, in common with, we think, a majority of the reporters seem to deny the right of Grand Chapters to original jurisdiction over Royal Arch Masons of its obedience. As stated in a former report, we hold a different opinion, especially when the offense is directly against the Grand Body. In our late *Hiram* Lodge rebellion the principal leaders were not members of the Grand Lodge, but the offense was such that she did not hesitate to exercise jurisdiction, and promptly expel them from the rights and privileges of Masonry. To briefly state the case, Chapters are subordinate to the Grand Chapter—the greater includes the less."

Correct.

Under North Carolina, he says:—

"Only the usual routine of business was transacted. The principal matter of interest in the proceedings is the excellent Report on Correspondence by Comp. JAMES SOUTHGATE, which, we think, includes the proceedings of every jurisdiction (forty-two in all) save Pennsylvania. Under California, he says of Comp. CASWELL:

"Under Illinois, he insists that Royal Arch Masons petitioning for a new Chapter should accompany the petition with dimits from the parent Chapter. This is sound law and accords with our usage. The fact of the dimit, with us, is proof that all dues are paid."

"We think the dimits should be required before a new Chapter receives its charter, but not to accompany its petition. It sometimes happens that a Chapter is formed U. D., and the charter refused, thus would leave the petitioners unaffiliated. Let us not do anything to increase that useless army. He quotes Comp. CASWELL on the Original Jurisprudence question, and says:

"We do not concur. When the Grand Body grants a charter to the subordinate, it in a sense delegates to the subordinate certain rights and privileges, no one of which is more sacred than the right to say who shall be a member. The control of the membership cannot inhere in the Grand Body, else all harmony is at once destroyed. A companion is tried and expelled by his Chapter. He appeals to the Grand Body and the appeal is sustained, but this does not restore him to membership. Why? Because the subordinate has the right to say who shall be received. This is dangerous doctrine, to our mind, and, we fear, will work evil to the Craft."

"We concur with Comp. CASWELL. Let us look at the subject from the light of experience. In our late *Hiram* Lodge trouble some of the principal offenders took refuge under this very doctrine, that the Grand Lodge had not jurisdiction, and the Lodge being in rebellion they thought to escape punishment, but the Grand Lodge very properly, we think, promptly exercised jurisdiction and inflicted the penalty."

"We also differ with Comp. SOUTHGATE in the case he recites. A companion, tried and expelled by his Chapter, appeals to the Grand Chapter; the appeal sustained. We think then the judgment of the Chapter is reversed or set aside,

and the companion's rights are just the same as before any charges were preferred ; his membership even in his Chapter is not changed. Upon a petition for restoration it is, of course, different—that is not an appeal. In the case which gave rise to this question, we say all honor to the Grand Chapter that thus promptly maintained its dignity, and especially in its subsequent action in restoring the offender, good cause being shown. We trust the lesson was a profitable one to him, and we hope to all Royal Arch Masons."

Again, he says:—

"Comp. SOUTHGATE favors striking from the roll as the only penalty for non-payment of dues, thereby increasing the already *useless*, and we might say *worthless*, army of non-affiliates. In this we differ. We believe the refusal to pay dues, if able, is a Masonic crime, and charges should be preferred, and if any penalty is to be inflicted let it be suspension from the rights and privileges of that which he refuses to help sustain, but only after due trial and an opportunity given for him to be heard in defense, the same as any other charge.

We had marked several other extracts from this excellent report, but lack of time forces us to be brief, and we are thus compelled to bid Comp. BARLOW farewell until we take up the pen and shears for our next report.

There are thirty-seven chartered Chapters on the roll of this jurisdiction, having an aggregate membership of 4,610, being an increase of 176 during the year.

The M. E. GILBERT L. HEWITT was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. JOSEPH K. WHEELER was re-elected Grand Recorder.

DELAWARE.

The twenty-second Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Wilmington on the fifteenth day of January, 1890,—the M. E. JOSEPH A. BOND, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. JAMES H. PRICE being Grand Secretary. All the Grand Officers except the Grand King were present, and the Representatives of three chartered Chapters answered to the roll call.

The Grand High Priest's Address is very brief and confined to a recital of his official acts, which were few and unimportant. He reports the three Chapters which form the Grand Chapter to be in a flourishing condition. "All have added to their membership during the past year material of excellent quality, the numerical increase being forty. The utmost harmony and good fellowship prevail."

The Grand Treasurer reports a balance on hand of \$404 01.

The Grand Secretary, in his report, gives a list of proceedings of other Grand Chapters received, but California's letter appears to have miscarried. Our proceedings were duly mailed to the Grand Secretary as soon as printed and we regret their failure to reach him. We hope for better success this time. The companions of Delaware are few in number but they are true as steel, and we do not relish the idea that they should feel that we neglect them.

The Grand Secretary reports that there remains in his hands the sum of \$312 50, which, added to the sum reported by the Grand Treasurer, makes the very respectable sum of \$716 51, cash on hand—a better showing than that made by many much more pretentious Grand Chapters.

Comp. JOSEPH L. GIBSON was, on motion, unanimously restored to all the rights and privileges of Royal Arch Masonry. We do not know why Comp. GIBSON was placed without the pale of companionship, but we congratulate him most heartily upon his restoration.

There is no Report on Correspondence, but, as the Grand High Priest appointed a committee of three on that important subject, we look for a report next year.

The present membership of the three Chapters comprised within this jurisdiction is 357.

The M. E. JOHN L. CLARK was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. JAMES H. PRICE was re-elected Grand Secretary.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

The twenty-fourth Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Washington on the tenth day of December, 1890,—the *M. : E. : E. S.* HOLMES, Grand High Priest, presiding, the *R. : E. : L. G.* STEPHENS being Grand Secretary. Eight subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered an excellent Address, in which many questions of interest to the Royal Craft are ably discussed. In his opening remarks, he says :—

“When I accepted the responsible trust imposed upon me through your great kindness, I did so with full consciousness of my own inability, but with a firm reliance upon the kindness and courtesy of the long line of my predecessors, who I knew would be always ready to give me good counsel and advice. Fortunately for me, however, and also for them, the year has been almost an uneventful one, more so, probably, than any which has preceded it, and, therefore, my lines have fallen in most pleasant places. The utmost harmony has prevailed among the subordinate Chapters, and, so far as I am informed, not one unpleasant incident has occurred in any of the Bodies owing allegiance to this Grand Chapter. I have been called upon to make no decisions, except such as were fully provided for by the Grand Constitution, and I will not, therefore, weary your patience by any report of them.”

He reported having received a letter from the Grand Chapter of New South Wales, asking for recognition and an exchange of Representatives. Being of the opinion that there were some peculiar circumstances attending the formation of that Grand Chapter, he referred the letter to the Committee on Jurisprudence, with the request that the case be carefully examined and a full report made at this Convocation, when the matter could be properly disposed of. We can find no report, however, from that committee on the subject.

Under the head of “Official Visitations,” the Grand High Priest says :—

“Early in the Spring I suggested to the Grand Council that it would be a good idea to visit each of the subordinate Chapters in our official capacity, at such time as we could make it convenient, but without notice to the Chapters. This idea was successfully carried out, and as none of them knew when to expect us, we found them—to use a homely phrase—with their every-day clothes on ; and I am most happy to state that in every case we found the officers capable, well posted, and the work fully up to the standard. I doubt very much whether the work can be excelled in any jurisdiction of the United States.”

Having his attention called to the fact that in some of the Chapters the present or Past Grand High Priests were not received with the honors due their official rank, when a General Grand High Priest was present, he issued the following circular letter to the High Priest of each Chapter :—

“*Dear Sir and M. : E. : Companion :*

“*M. : E. : Comp.* NOBLE D. LARNER, Past General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, has called my attention to the fact that in some of the Chapters of this jurisdiction proper honors are not given to a Past Grand High Priest when entering a Chapter where the Past General Grand High Priest is present.

“This, it seems to me, is not as it should be, and at the suggestion of *M. : E. : Comp.* LARNER, I respectfully call your attention to this practice, with the request that each present and Past Grand High Priest visiting your Chapter shall hereafter be received with all the honors to which his rank entitles him, regardless of the fact that a companion of a higher rank may be present.

“The Past General Grand High Priest and the present Grand High Priest of this or any other Jurisdiction will be received with the Grand Honors. All Past Grand High Priests will be received by calling the Chapter up and extending an invitation to a seat in the east, OMITTING THE GRAND HONORS.

“You will please follow the above instructions until the next Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter, when the matter will be submitted to that Grand Body for its action.”

In this connection, he says :—

"It is evident that up to the issuance of this letter the usage of the Grand Lodge had been followed, and while I do not wish to influence in the slightest degree the action of this Grand Chapter on the subject, permit me to say that, in my opinion, the position taken is the correct one, except, perhaps, in so far as the Grand Honors are accorded to a Past General Grand High Priest of the United States. It is a question with me whether any Past Grand Officer should be received with the Grand Honors, as it seems to me that only present Grand Officers should be received with that mark of distinction. But I leave the whole matter to your wisdom, knowing you will decide properly, and I respectfully recommend that the proper action be taken at this Convocation."

He also calls attention to another practice that seems to have obtained in that jurisdiction—that of lending candidates from one Chapter to another. In reporting upon this subject, the Committee on Jurisprudence say :—

"The practice referred to by the *M. : E. :* Grand High Priest is not, in the opinion of your committee, in strict compliance with the requirements of Masonic law, although no complaint from any source has been made against it.

"The spirit of accommodation does not invest the High Priest of a Chapter with the power of disposing of its material at his pleasure. The power to loan material to other Chapters to enable them to confer the Royal Arch degrees, or to request another Chapter to perform a courtesy by conferring degrees, rests solely with the Chapter having jurisdiction over the material, and not with its High Priest. A Chapter may, however, at a regular Convocation, authorize its High Priest to act for and in its behalf.

"For the purpose of meeting the object of the question submitted by the *M. : E. :* Grand High Priest, your committee submit for adoption as a standing resolution the following :

Resolved, That in all cases where it is desirable for one Chapter of this jurisdiction to confer any of the Capitular degrees upon candidates elected in another Chapter, the Chapter having jurisdiction over the candidates, and not its High Priest, unless duly authorized by his Chapter to act for it, must first assent thereto or request the same to be done."

We can see no objection to the practice when all the parties are agreed.

One dispensation was granted for the formation of a new Chapter.

Under the head of "Work or Membership," the Grand High Priest says :—

"There have been 113 exaltations during the year, which is a smaller number than last year. There has been a gain of 67 members, there being 1,524 Royal Arch Masons in good standing last year, while there are now 1,591, which I regard as a very good showing, and one of which the jurisdiction may well be proud. Unless all signs fail, however, I predict that this gain will be doubled during the ensuing year."

The death of *R. : E. :* Comp. WILLIAM H. FAULKNER is announced, and a fraternal tribute paid to his memory.

In concluding his well prepared and happily worded Address, the Grand High Priest says :—

"And now, companions, I have given you an account of my stewardship, and am ready to present the gavel to my successor. But before doing so I wish to congratulate you most sincerely upon the harmony and good feeling which prevails in the jurisdiction. The Chapters are all in peace among themselves, and cheerfully comply with every regulation of this Grand Body. I wish to extend my heartfelt thanks to the officers and members of each and every Chapter for the uniform kindness and respect that have been accorded me during this year; and it will be remembered by me as the proudest year of my life.

"Companions, we have a Grand Body in this District equal to any and second to none in the world. May succeeding years only add lustre to her crown, and peace and happiness to her officers and members. May the All-Father always have each and every one of you in His most holy keeping."

The Grand Treasurer reports a balance of \$1,754 67.

The Grand Visitor and Lecturer submitted the following report :—

"I have visited the several Chapters of the jurisdiction, and am able to report that the work has been generally well done throughout the entire term.

"The schools for instruction have been well attended and productive of good results, and the officers selected for the ensuing year will unquestionably reflect great credit upon our District Grand Chapter.

"Before closing my report, I desire to express my thanks for the uniform courtesy and kindness I have experienced from all companions, whether during my official visits to Chapters or in private intercourse.

"All of which is respectfully submitted."

A good Report on Correspondence was submitted by Comp. WILLIAM R. SINGLETON, who pleasantly reviews the proceedings of thirty-nine Grand Chapters, including those of the General Grand Chapter of the United States. His notice of California is brief but fraternal. He says:—

"The annual Address of the Grand High Priest, of seven pages, first pays tributes of respect to the departed companions. The remaining part is devoted to his official acts, which he states had been comparatively few, and his labors, though requiring much attention, had not been difficult. No questions asked or decisions required, nor a single act of irregularity has been called to his attention. Utopia discovered at last, verily! In such a happy state of affairs, and a further assurance that it was not for any absence of activity or want of interest—for there had been a considerable increase of membership, and the Chapters had been prompt in their returns and annual dues—we may conclude that Capitular Masonry is prospering in that jurisdiction."

Of our report of that year, he says:—

"The Report on Foreign Correspondence was made by Comp. Grand Secretary THOS. H. CASWELL, of 108 pages, and, like all which have preceded, evinces careful review of forty-one Grand Chapter proceedings. Of our own proceedings for 1890, he takes due notice, and makes many extracts from the Address of our Grand High Priest, reports of committees, and of our own Report on Foreign Correspondence, with flattering remarks to the writer, for which please accept our hearty thanks."

We are sorry to part so soon with our genial companion, but our time is limited and we must on to the next.

There are eight subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, having a total membership of 1,591.

The M. E. ALEXANDER MCKENZIE was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. L. G. STEPHENS was re-elected Grand Secretary.

FLORIDA.

This Grand Chapter held its forty-fourth Annual Convocation in the city of Jacksonville on the sixth day of May, 1890,—the M. E. MARCUS ENDEL, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. DEWITT C. DAWKINS, Past Grand High Priest, being Grand Secretary. Nine subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered a brief but well-considered Address, in which he says:—

"We have much cause, companions, to offer up manifestations of devout thankfulness for the innumerable blessings which have been dispensed to us for the fruitful seasons, exemption from pestilence and diseases, and the general prosperity with which our beloved State has been blessed. I am happy to report that during the year the presence of the grim monster, death, has not been permitted to encroach upon our ranks and remove any of the officers or members of this Grand Chapter, and for this evidence of His favor we should be inspired with emotions of gratitude to our Heavenly Father, whose providential care has protected and preserved us."

He is of the opinion—and with good reason—that the welfare of the Grand Chapter will be promoted by holding its Convocations at a time other than that selected by the Grand Lodge for its Annual Communications, and in this connection he says:—

"In 1872 the Grand Chapter met in June, while the Grand Lodge met in February, since which, now, for the first time in the history of the Grand Chapter of Florida, its Convocation is held at a different time from the Grand Lodge communications. By this severance, the dignity of the Grand Chapter has been greatly enhanced and the influence and importance of Capitular Masonry considerably elevated in this Grand Jurisdiction. Heretofore the labors of the larger Body required such heavy demands on the time of our Grand Chapter and its members, that but little opportunity was permitted it to transact its business with that deliberation and care that its importance merited.

"The opportunity is now afforded you to thoroughly canvass every subject brought up for consideration, and to comprehensively legislate for the best interests of our Order.

"I feel convinced that future events will fully sustain the wisdom of the Grand Chapter in adapting itself to the necessities of this progressive movement, and that the new era in its affairs, now being so auspiciously inaugurated, will infuse additional zeal among the companions throughout the State, inspire its constituent Chapters with greater energies, and awaken among them a spirit of enthusiasm and assiduity that will greatly redound to the benefit of our beloved institution."

Under the head of "Decisions," we find the following somewhat novel case to Californians:—

A Master Mason applied for the Capitular degrees, was elected and received the Mark Master's degree. Shortly afterward he engaged in the whisky business and started a rum-mill, whereupon the High Priest refused to advance him. The applicant appealed to the Grand High Priest for his decision as to the legality of the High Priest's course of action, who decided that:—

"No officer has the right to arbitrarily refuse advancement to a candidate; objection must be made in open Chapter, and the Chapter must decide whether or not it is founded upon fraternal justice; after such objection has received the consideration of the Chapter, and it shall appear that one-third of the members present are in favor of sustaining the objection, it shall be so entered upon the record, and the remaining degrees shall not be conferred, unless by unanimous consent of the Chapter expressed at a Stated Convocation, notice of which shall be given at the preceding Stated Convocation. If the cause of the objection be not removed in a reasonable time, the candidate shall be declared rejected and the fee be returned.

"In making this decision I was not guided by any precedent of our own, as our records do not contain a similar case; but inasmuch as it is in harmony with laws of every jurisdiction that has expressed itself on the subject, I ventured to make it, it being, in my opinion, a necessary regulation."

The Committee on Grievances reported that the Chapter had complied with the instructions of the Grand High Priest, so we presume the unfortunate dispenser of creature comforts was incontinently "fired."

He also reports the following:—

"The High Priest of *Thomas Brown* Chapter, No. 2, requested my decision as follows:

"A Master Mason in good standing, holding a dimit, petitioned a Lodge for affiliation, and was twice rejected; can the Chapter receive and act upon his petition for the degrees, so long as his non-affiliation is not willful or delayed on his part? Answer: It would not be proper for your Chapter to entertain his petition, as under our laws he must be a member of a Lodge, in good standing, to make him eligible."

California has often been severely criticised for her so-called harshness towards non-affiliates, but she is much more lenient than Florida, according to this decision. If a brother makes an effort to comply with the law, by petitioning some Lodge for affiliation, and is rejected, the mere fact of his trying to do his duty keeps him in good standing for six months thereafter, when he must "try, try again." The Constitution of our Grand Chapter does not require applicants for the degrees to be actual members of a Lodge; if he is a Master Mason in *good standing* he is eligible. But he must be in good standing as construed in the Con-

stitution of the Grand Lodge; that is, he must not allow more than six months to elapse without making an attempt to affiliate with some Lodge. If he is rejected, that fact alone keeps him in good standing for six months more, so that all a companion has to do, if he wishes to remain in the Chapter without uniting with the Lodge, is to get some brother to black ball him every six months, and he can remain in good standing in the Chapter *ad infinitum* if he pays his dues and behaves himself.

The Grand Treasurer reports a balance on hand of \$569 03.

The Grand High Priest stated that in visiting the various Chapters he had found a sad lack of uniformity in the work, and recommended that the next Grand High Priest be requested to appoint a committee of competent companions to select a standard work for all the degrees and to report at the next Annual Convocation; which recommendation was adopted.

There is no Report on Correspondence, but yet there is hope for the future.

From the report of the Committee on Memorial, we extract the following finely written extract:—

"While the busy world around us in the various departments of commercial life are continually creating, repeating, and diversifying the sounds of traffic in gay acceleration, we, who for a time have withdrawn therefrom to consider of things more sedate and holy for our own good, and for the good influence that we may hope to exert upon the lives of others, many thoughts upon many kindred subjects claim our attention; but none more profound and important than the fact that ere long the life we live on this beautiful earth must and will surely terminate. Nothing can, by any possibility, be of more consequence to us than to wisely and happily solve the question, each for himself, how to spend the remainder of this earthly existence so as to meet that end attended with the best possible prospects for entrance into the life beyond and to there survive in the most satisfactory manner through that life or sphere which is to have no end.

"If Freemasonry, of which the Royal Arch Chapter is an important factor, is fit for any purpose, and sufficiently important to compensate us for the sacrifice of time and worldly interest consequent upon our meeting here and at the fervent altars of our Holy Royal Arches whither we came, that value consists chiefly in the confraternal duties and obligations which bind us together for good and the facilities which it furnishes its zealous adherents for learning how to live that our lives may not be unprofitable here or uninteresting hereafter. With these professions, we humble ourselves in chains of brotherly love and the deepest humility, and then looking up with love and admiration to the 'I AM THAT I AM,' with whose approving smile we go on our way through the vicissitudes of this life to the vouchsafed haven in the next.

"While such be the tenor of Royal Arch Masonry, why mourn when a companion has left the circle of these earthly tabernacles and taken his flight to the sanctuary up yonder?"

There are thirteen chartered Chapters in this jurisdiction, having a total membership of 411, being a net gain of twenty-five during the year.

The M. E. JAMES BOYD was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. DEWITT C. DAWKINS was re-elected Grand Secretary.

ILLINOIS.

The forty-first Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Chicago on the thirtieth day of October, 1890,—the M. E. JOSEPH E. DYAS, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. GIL W. BARNARD being Grand Secretary. Eighty-two subordinate Chapters were represented. ●

The Address of the Grand High Priest is a good, practical paper. In opening, he says:—

"Glancing backward over the year just closed we cannot but feel that a kind Providence has watched over us and has been in our beloved Order for good. It is eminently fitting, then, that to-day, as we meet here at our forty-first Annual Convocation, we should give expression of our gratitude and appreciation to the Giver of all good for His guidance up to this hour.

"It gives me pleasure to inform you that our relations with sister Grand Jurisdictions are the most fraternal, and within this Grand Jurisdiction peace and harmony prevail among the Royal Craft."

He pays a fraternal tribute of respect to the memory of Comp. JOSEPH BEYLS, late Grand Tyler of the Grand Chapter, as well as to the dead of other jurisdictions.

We note the following under the head of "Decisions":—

"1. That the proper title of the officers of the Veils in a subordinate Chapter is Master of the first, second, or third veil, as the case may be, omitting the word 'Grand.' I arrived at this conclusion from the language of Sec. 45 of our By-Laws, which reads: 'The officers of a subordinate Chapter shall be styled * * * as follows: * * * Master 3d Veil,' etc.

"2. That it is the common law of Masonry that the officers of a Chapter cannot be elected in any other manner than by ballot; that they must be installed before assuming their offices, and that their term of office is one year.

"3. That in the absence of the three principal officers the Junior Past High Priest present can preside at any Convocation of the Chapter.

"4. That the recommendation by a Chapter for the formation of a new Chapter must be unconditional.

"5. A Master Mason residing in another State and a member of a Lodge in this State is not eligible to receive the Chapter degrees in this State, unless with the consent of the Chapter in whose jurisdiction he resides. Residence of petitioner, and not location of Lodge, determines the jurisdiction of the Chapter to receive a petition for the degrees."

He granted one dispensation for the formation of a new Chapter.

Under the head of "Orphans' Home," he says:—

"Companions, before we close this Grand Convocation, let us not forget the wants of the helpless orphan. The Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home was founded a few years ago in this city, and is wholly dependent upon the Craft in this Grand Jurisdiction for its maintenance. Let us manifest practical charity by making a generous donation to it, and thereby assist in upholding the hands of those faithful companions who have devoted much of their time, labor and means in erecting this noble charity."

The Grand Treasurer reports on hand the snug little balance of \$12,956 68.

A novel method of issuing the proceedings of the Grand Chapter was proposed and adopted.

The Committee on Printing, in their report, say:—

"At the request of the Grand Secretary, we present the following proposition regarding a new manner of printing and distributing the Proceedings of this Grand Chapter. The Grand Secretary proposes to have the matter contained in the Book of Proceedings issued in monthly or bi-monthly parts, each part to contain from 32 to 64 pages. Provided this plan is adopted, it is proposed to begin the publication with the month of October, which number would contain only the journal of the business transacted at the Annual Convocation. This would insure an early issue of that portion. The numbers for November and December would contain what is usually printed in the Appendix.

"In January or February, the Report on Correspondence would commence and be continued in each number, closing with September.

"These latter parts would also contain the Circulars and Edicts which are now issued from time to time, as required, in circular form.

"The claim is made for this plan that it would present the matters in small amounts and thus insure greater certainty of perusal and study by the officers and members to whom the parts are mailed each time of issue.

"Especially would it give greater prominence to the Report on Correspondence, bringing it fresh before the readers immediately after the review of Proceedings of Sister Jurisdictions are made, and in such quantity at one time as to make it much more sure of perusal.

"It is asked that this proposition be referred to a special committee, for study, investigation and report at our next Convocation.

"It is thought that there would be no more expense attending this mode of publication than there is in the present one."

How this plan will work remains to be seen. We do not think our California Companions would be satisfied to get the doings of their Grand Chapter piecemeal.

The Committee on Chartered Chapters submitted an excellent report, from which we extract the following :—

"The Reports from Subordinate Chapters, as they have been received, have with but very few exceptions been perfect in all respects. Here and there omissions and errors have been observed, but they are so few that your committee feel like expressing a great degree of satisfaction that they are so few, and indulge the hope that each succeeding year may find them less. A very few of them could have been improved had they been written plainer, a suggestion we offer here that hereafter in making reports the full name of each individual should be written in a plain hand.

"Several of the Chapters during the past year, that in some of the last past years have done no work, have experienced a revival, and their reports now come up showing a good degree of work. We regret to say that there are several Chapters in this Grand Jurisdiction that for several years past have done no work. We trust we do not presume, if we suggest and quote from the great light in Masonry, which we are directed to search at all times, for therein we find the whole duty of man.

"We find there a parable of the barren tree, which attracted the attention of the husbandman, who therewith communed with himself to devise some plan by which it might be made to bear forth fruit. The barren tree was the one of all the others which attracted his attention, and how it might be restored to usefulness rather than cut it down as cumbering the ground. Should not we, as Royal Arch Masons, learn from this that these barren Chapters should receive from us more attention. Would it not be expedient and attended with good results if the District Deputies should visit these Chapters, advising them of his contemplated visit, and encouraging as many companions as possible to attend and meet him there. Would not this awaken an interest that would be prolific in good results?

"It is scarcely possible, in any community where a Chapter exists, that there are not good men seeking admission within our walls, but the way may never have been pointed out to them. No one takes an interest in them, hence they are not postulants seeking to gain membership within the bonds of the Fraternity. Should we do this, we do not consider it as proselyting, but a commendable means by which to infold within our precincts many who are Masons that have never taken the Royal Craft degrees, and many who are not Masons thus become interested seekers after the light as we received it. Revivals in the 'desert places' have become a necessity. Forebodings already approach us indicating the impending conflict; the defiant gauntlet has already been thrown, and Masons are selected as the victims. The wise man foreseeth evil and shunneth it. Masonry is menaced on many sides, encompassed by many evils, hence it behooves all good Masons to work while the day lasts, for the night soon cometh when no man can work."

The Committee on Grievances congratulated the Grand Chapter upon the fact that they had nothing to report. This is remarkable in so large a membership as that of Illinois, and illustrates the words of the Psalmist: "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

The Grand Chapters of the two Dakotas, as well as that of Indian Territory, were welcomed into the sisterhood of Grand Chapters.

The subject of the recognition of the Grand Chapter of New South Wales was referred to the Committee on Correspondence, but no report was made upon it.

The retiring Grand High Priest, M. E. Comp. DYAS, was made the recipient of a handsome Past Grand High Priest's jewel in token of the regard and affection in which he is held by the Companions of the Grand Chapter.

The reports of the District Officers show that the subordinate Chapters are prosperous and zealous in the good work; that harmony prevails, and that the watchword of Illinois Companions is "Excelsior."

Comp. JOHN M. PRABSON again comes to the front with one of his appetizing Reports on Correspondence, which gives light and life to the proceedings.

We had the pleasure, not long ago, of meeting all the Illinois correspondents at one fell swoop. We were right royally entertained by them, and found the *climate* of Chicago well adapted to our somewhat peculiar constitution. There was JOHN CARSON SMITH, who does the correspondence for the Grand Commandery; L. R. JEROME, who wields the gray goose quill for the Grand Council of R. & S. M.; and last, but not least, Comp. PEARSON, whose excellent report to the Grand Chapter is now before us. A more genial triad we have never had the good fortune to meet. They showed us every attention, and, whenever we think of Chicago, our heart warms towards them, and memory calls up the pleasant hours spent in their company. Only let us catch you once in San Francisco, companions, and we will endeavor to reciprocate your kindness.

In the present report, Comp. PEARSON reviews the proceedings of thirty-nine Grand Chapters, including those of California for 1890. He quotes copiously and approvingly from the Address of M. E. Comp. VANDERHURST, and from our report of that year. He says, speaking of our report:—

"Under Iowa, after quoting a resolution which looks to divorce of Chapter and Council, he says, and we quote in full, to show the dark and benighted condition of Comp. C.'s mind about our Grand Chapter:—

"We have little doubt as to the character of the report of that committee. Illinois is next on the list. She dies hard; but the companions of that jurisdiction have good sense; they cannot but see that Capitular and Cryptic Masonry, while perfectly congenial and neighborly apart, cannot sit in harmony at the same fireside. They belong to the same tribe, but are of different families; each must keep house on its own account."

"Bless your soul, Comp. CASWELL, our Grand Chapter and Grand Council have each been keeping house, for many years, on their 'own account.'"

"We have, in Illinois, been through all the phases,—first, degrees conferred in Chapter; second, Councils formed, with control of work; third, by treaty, the power to confer degrees was given to the Grand Chapter; and, fourth, by mutual agreement, the Grand Council resumed the work of conferring degrees and the Grand Chapter gladly retired from that branch of the business. Our position might well be described by the old song of the 'Jolly Beggar':—

"In raptures sweet, this hour we went,
 'W! mutual love an' a' that,
 But for how lang the fie may stang,
 Let inclination law that.'"

We are glad to learn that in Illinois the Royal Arch and Cryptic tubs each stands upon its own bottom. We knew that Illinois had been through all the phases, but did not know under what particular phase she was now working.

Our companion concludes his interesting report as follows:—

"As we send off to the printer these leaves, it is with mingled feelings. Joy, that we have been permitted to again read and comment upon the acts of the Royal Arch world. Sad, that among the well-known names so many will not be seen again. We offer this report to the Craft with the fond hope that it will be read, and afford the readers as much pleasure as the preparing has afforded the writer."

There are one hundred and seventy-six active Chapters in this jurisdiction, having an aggregate membership of 13,279.

The M. E. EDWARD C. PACE was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. GIL W. BARNARD was re-elected Grand Secretary.

INDIANA.

The forty-fifth Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Indianapolis on the twenty-second day of October, 1890,—the M. E. ELMER CROCKETT, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. WILLIAM H. SMYTHE being Grand Secretary. Eighty-three of the eighty-five subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest, in an able Address, says:—

"So far as I am able to ascertain, not one of our number has been called away by death since our last meeting. Our circle is unbroken. But few Grand High Priests in the history of our Order have had the privilege of making such an announcement. Truly we should be profoundly thankful to the Father of us all."

He gives the following list of bright and shining lights in Masonry that have been extinguished by death during the year:—

- "Vermont—WILLIAM BRINSMAID, Past Deputy Grand High Priest.
- "Missouri—JAMES E. CADLE, Past Grand High Priest.
- "Massachusetts—JOHN W. DADMUN, Past Grand High Priest.
- "Michigan—A. BERNHARD CUDWORTH, Past Grand High Priest.
- "Ohio—MATTHIAS H. WATT, Grand Secretary.
- "Maryland—JOHN SNOWDEN TYSON, Past Grand High Priest.
- "Wisconsin—JOHN HAWKINS ROUNTREE, Past Grand High Priest.
- "Minnesota—A. T. C. PIERSON, Grand Secretary."

Under the caption of "Condition of the Craft," he says:—

"More than the average number of deaths have occurred in our subordinate Chapters during the past year. Seventy-four companions have finished their work here below and have gone to their reward. Our number has further decreased as follows: Dmitted, 141; suspended, 82; expelled, 4; total, 301. On the other hand there have been 343 exaltations, 27 have been reinstated and 62 added by affiliation; total, 432. This shows a net increase since our last Annual Convocation of 131 members, and a grand total in this jurisdiction of 5,443. The foregoing figures indicate a fairly prosperous year for our Order, yet the information I received during the winter months led me to hope and believe that a more gratifying report would be made to you at this time. It seems now that my advices came only from companions who were active in the cause. Many Chapters have added largely to their membership, while others have done comparatively little or no work."

The Grand Chapters of North and South Dakota and Indian Territory were formally recognized and welcomed to the family of Grand Chapters. The Grand High Priest also called attention to the formation of the Grand Chapter of New South Wales, but the Committee on Correspondence quietly ignored the existence of the Antipodean Grand Chapter.

Under the head of "Visitations," the Grand High Priest says:—

"Like many of my predecessors in this exalted position, I am compelled to acknowledge that lack of time has prevented me from visiting but few Chapters during the year. This is not as it should be. I believe that for the benefit of subordinate Chapters each one should be visited by a Grand Officer at least once each year, yet I am fully satisfied that it is impossible for such an arrangement to be made. All will agree that if a system of visitation and inspection should be inaugurated it would prove of great value to the Craft. In other words, it would pay. No competent companion, however, can be expected to perform this work without the hope of fee or reward. Capitular Masonry in this jurisdiction has long felt the want of a Grand Lecturer. Besides the many other advantages growing out of the visitations of such an officer he could assist in checking the evils that exist to some extent within our borders. Among them may be mentioned that of calling Chapters from labor to refreshments for an indefinite period. This is in direct violation of Section 48, General Regulations, and should be discouraged. With the exception of degree work there is nothing better calculated to keep up an interest among the officers and companions of a Chapter than frequently opening and closing the same with the full, appropriate ceremonies. I bring this matter to your attention with the hope that in the near future arrangements may be made to inaugurate a system of visitations in this jurisdiction."

The Grand Treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$3,612 05.

The Committee on Jurisprudence made the following report:—

"The Committee on Jurisprudence have had referred to them certain papers in an appeal, from the rulings of the High Priest of *New Albany* Chapter, No. 17. Upon examination of the papers before us the committee find the following state of facts:

"On September 3d, 1883, notice of the indefinite suspension of Comp. CHARLES E. JONES by *New Albany* Lodge, No. 39, was laid before *New Albany* Chapter, No. 17, the fact of the suspension noted upon the minutes, but no further action was taken by the Chapter at that time.

"On December 8th, 1887, a certificate from *New Albany* Lodge, No. 39, was presented to the Chapter, setting forth that Bro. C. E. JONES had been regularly restored by the Lodge to the condition of a non-affiliate Master Mason. That fact being entered upon the minutes of the Chapter under the rule of the Grand Chapter, as it then was, Comp. JONES was thereby reinstated to membership in the Chapter.

"On April 8th, 1884, official notice was presented to the Chapter of the expulsion of Comp. JAMES ADKINSON by *DePaulo* Lodge, No. 338, which notice being entered upon the minutes of the Chapter, said companion thereby stood expelled from membership in the Chapter.

"On the tenth of December, 1888, notice of the restoration of said Comp. ADKINSON by the Lodge was presented to the Chapter, and that fact also entered upon the minutes, when, by virtue of the rules of the Grand Chapter at that time in force, said companion was restored to his former membership in the Chapter. He accordingly entered and took his seat as such.

"That afterwards, to-wit: November 11th, 1889, the then High Priest of the Chapter, in view of the change in the rules in regard to restoration made by the Grand Chapter at the annual meeting October 23d, 1889, declared that the restoration of these two companions, as entered upon the records of the Chapter, to have been illegal, and therefore void, and that Comp. JONES still remains suspended and Comp. ADKINSON expelled from the Chapter.

"From this ruling of the High Priest an appeal is taken to the Grand Chapter.

"The committee, in reaching a conclusion in the matter here presented, find that there is no principle in Masonic jurisprudence better settled than that when a member of the Fraternity obtains a right under the law in force at the time, no subsequent change of the law or ruling of a presiding officer can in any manner deprive him of that right. Under the rules of the Grand Chapter, as it then was, these two companions were legally restored to membership in the Chapter, and no subsequent change or modification of those rules could in any manner affect their standing in the Chapter. Hence the order of the High Priest, made and entered upon the records of the Chapter in these two cases, was illegal, null and void, and is accordingly overruled and the appeal taken in the case sustained."

The following resolution was adopted :—

"Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Chapter be extended to our retiring Grand High Priest, ELMER CROCKETT, for the able, dignified and impartial manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office during the past year."

Comp. THOMAS B. LONG again submitted a first-class Report on Correspondence, reviewing the proceedings of thirty-eight Grand Chapters, including those of California for 1890. His notice of California is written in a kindly and fraternal spirit, and we have to thank him for complimentary personal mention. He says :—

"The Address of Comp. VANDERHURST is a practical business document, devoted, in the main, to the pertinent affairs of his office. He reports having, by special deputies, constituted two Chapters to which charters had been granted at the preceding Convocation. He was not called upon to decide any questions whatever, and was not made aware of a single act of irregularity in the entire jurisdiction; whence he infers superior ability in the officers of subordinate Chapters, and a willingness in the members to conform to the rules and regulations of the Order. He reasons that this state of affairs does not indicate apathy or inactivity, since the returns abundantly show that Capitular Masonry is prospering and still progressing in the right direction in this jurisdiction.

"While the Grand Chapter of California is an able and dignified Body, transacting its affairs at all times with prudence and justice, to the reviewer in other jurisdictions the Correspondence Reports of Comp. THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL are the cream they delight to taste, the wine it is an unceasing pleasure to sample. His labors on this occasion cover one hundred and five pages of the proceedings, and review and comment on the transactions of forty-one Grand Chapters.

"His review of Indiana, 1889, is liberal in extent, and characterized by the earnestness of its distinguished writer. He takes strong issue with Comp. McDONALD, and combats our Past Grand High Priest's view that there seems to be 'something radically wrong in the Masonic system of levying and collecting dues,' and that the penalty for non-payment is in many cases unnecessarily severe."

He makes copious extracts from our report of that year, and apparently coincides with the opinions therein expressed. In referring to our remarks upon the case of the companion who claimed to have been seriously injured during the ceremonies of conferring the Royal Arch degree, he says:—

"On this subject it is but just to reproduce the statement of the High Priest of the Chapter where the injury is claimed to have occurred:

"While our Chapter recognizes the deplorable condition to which Comp. McKNIGHT's misfortunes have brought him, it is unwilling to assume the responsibility of having been, in any degree, the cause of them. There was no undue violence noticeable to an observer, and, with but two or three exceptions, none of the companions who were present at his exaltation are able to recall any remembrance of any unusual circumstance connected with it. What our Chapter has done has been done in the way of Masonic relief, and not as recompense and retribution."

"The statement of the complainant himself was that his first serious spinal trouble came upon him suddenly at Indianapolis, at a period very considerably later than that of the conferring of the Royal Arch degree at Covington; and it is a very much disputed question whether it resulted therefrom at all."

We certainly hope it did not.

He further says, in this connection:—

"Upon every general principle of propriety, however, the strictures of Comp. CASWELL are wholesome reading for Royal Arch Masons."

Concluding, he says:—

"Many other extracts from this interesting report would be given did space permit; but if no limit were made this early in the alphabet too much contraction would be absolutely necessary later."

Compliments from a writer of Comp. LONG's ability are appreciated and valued by us, and will be long remembered.

Under Minnesota, he pays the following beautiful tribute to the memory of the lamented PIERSON:—

"One of the saddest duties now devolves upon the writer hereof—the duty of noting the death of Past Grand High Priest, Grand Secretary and Grand Correspondent, A. T. C. PIERSON, which occurred at his home in St. Paul, November 26th, 1889.

"The second sentence of the Grand High Priest's Address said: 'The venerable form of our Grand Secretary is still to be seen among us.' And during the same day Comp. PIERSON himself announced that his 'Report on Foreign Correspondence was in the hands of the printer.' And so it was, for twenty-two Grand Proceedings had already been reviewed by him. 'His work was not done, yet his column is broken.' But the work of one who loved Masonry as he did could only be terminated by the stroke of death. The rest that should have been taken by one of his advanced age—for he was seventy-two years old—was sacrificed to his duties to, and his love for, the institution to which he devoted so many of his strongest and best years. In his last, his unfinished, work as a reviewer, occurs this sentence: 'It is late at night, or rather early in the morning, at this writing.' The golden hours of sleep were not too precious to be exchanged by him for opportunities to 'disseminate true Masonic light and information among his brethren.' Verily, he was a Most Excellent Master. His social qualities were of the highest standard. His manners were frank and genial; his conversation was bright and sparkling; his presence was inspiring and elevating. He was not a prude among men. He was worldly enough to be most enticing; but the element of worldliness in him was wholly free from harm. His instincts of morality and honor were a

chart and compass that led to no devious ways; and, by their guidance, all who followed him were assured of a safe and pleasant harbor. Some of the most agreeable moments the writer can ever hope to recall were spent with him. They were not many, but it is a matter of human experience that we cannot have all the pleasures we would desire. Two sessions of the General Grand Chapter and one of Indiana Consistory comprise these red letter periods. He was for twenty consecutive years Grand Recording Officer of the Masonic Bodies of Minnesota, and for twenty-three years Reporter of Correspondence. It would take many pages to do the least justice to the memory of this patriarch of Masonry; and it must be left for others to dwell fully upon his life and labors. Both veneration and love secured for him the tender sobriquet—'Father PIERSON;' and that it was well applied to him is shown by the fact that fifteen hundred, or more, of his admirers and co-laborers followed him to his last resting place on earth."

No one who knew Comp. PIERSON could fail to love and admire him. Good, noble, grand old man, his memory will ever remain fresh and green in our hearts.

We would gladly linger over this excellent report, but must content ourselves with giving his "Conclusion":—

"Another Report on Correspondence—the eighth by the present writer—is now concluded. Knowing the benefits he has himself derived from the works of other reviewers, and believing that his own efforts, at least in the way of judicious and careful selections, may be calculated 'to disseminate true Masonic light to the uninformed,' he has come to look upon the duties of the correspondent as labors of love, and to perform them—with his limited ability—in the spirit of this consideration. He believes these reports the readiest means of Masonic education to the Craft at large. Masonic books, though numerous, are not of easy access. Among the many so-called prominent Masons of the world, but few make anything like ample collections of the literature of Masonry; and when they do, the libraries are isolated and private, and many persons, engrossed in the business affairs and cares of life, have neither time nor opportunity to consult the authorities so brought together. But in every locality where there is either a Lodge, Chapter, Council or Commandery, any member of each and all of these can procure for individual perusal copies of the proceedings containing reports that review and discuss all questions of living and practical importance to the institution, as well as those embraced in its history, jurisprudence and general literature. In the discussions contained in them, between writers of learning and ability, the clashes of polemic steel produce scintillations that become fuses to trains of thought that in turn illumine the highways of Masonic investigation. Let not this be considered a rhapsody. The reader of reviews for several successive years will know how an abstract statement made by one writer, disputed or elaborated by another, has at length evoked the profoundest learning of the ablest writers. To be but small in such a guild, therefore, has been a matter of satisfaction and real pride to the writer hereof; and he has been engaged in the business in the spirit of contributing the best results he can command, even though he may often feel that he has only given a mite—has only dropped a pebble in the great sea of controversy and conclusion."

There are eighty-six subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, having a total membership of 5,443.

The M. E. JACOB W. SMITH was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. WILLIAM H. SMYTHE was re-elected Grand Secretary.

INDIAN TERRITORY.

The first Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Indian Territory was held in the city of Muskogee on the sixth day of November, 1890,—the M. E. JOSEPH S. MURROW, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. LEO E. BENNETT being Grand Secretary. Four subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Address of the Grand High Priest is an exceptionally well-prepared paper, and as it is interesting as a matter of Capitular history, we make no apology for making lengthened extracts therefrom. He says:—

"COMPANIONS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER:—Reverently acknowledging the never failing mercy of the Great Creator who so tenderly cares for us and who has spared our lives to assemble in this, the first Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Indian Territory, to transact business for the good of the Order, and invoking the divine blessing upon our deliberations, I welcome you to the honors and labors of this meeting.

"It is an occasion that must call forth our profoundest thought and most careful counsels. We are laying a foundation upon which succeeding generations of Royal Craftsmen are to build, and this foundation must be laid so deep, and broad, and solid, that there shall be no insecurity to the building to be erected hereupon. Coming years will show whether these foundations have been well laid. The Chapters of the future will reflect the light of to-day. The character of the Chapters now organized will mold and shape those of coming years. If faithful to our trust, if selfish ambition is suppressed and our counsels and legislation far-reaching in their aim, it will be honored of God by the substantial building of others, helping to make the structure strong and beautiful. Our wisdom and zeal will be blessings to others which they will appreciate. The influences now started will increase and multiply for good, or hamper and retard the labors of others. It is a grand, a serious position which we occupy. The eyes of Royal Craftsmen from Maine to California are upon us. Upon our wisdom, firmness in execution of law, and devotion to the well-being of our Grand Chapter depends the confidence and continued good will of sister Grand Bodies and of the General Grand Chapter of the United States of America.

"There are those who doubt that the General Grand Chapter acted wisely in granting authority under its Constitution to the organization of a Grand Chapter in Indian Territory.

"It is for us to prove ourselves worthy of the confidence expressed most heartily by a vast majority of the members of the General Grand Chapter at its meeting last year at Atlanta, Georgia.

"Good work, true work, square work, must characterize our labors.

"Wherefore brethren, lay aside all malice, and guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings.

"If so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious, to whom coming as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious; ye also as living stones, be ye built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up sacrifices acceptable to God.

"Wherefore also it is contained in the Scripture, Behold, I lay in Zion, for a foundation, a tried stone, a precious corner-stone, a sure foundation; he that believeth, shall not make haste. Unto you therefore which believe, it is an honor; and even to them which be disobedient, the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is the head of corner.

"Brethren, this is the will of God, that with well-doing ye put to silence the ignorance of foolish men."

" HISTORIC.

"For the information of companions in other jurisdictions as well as for those who are to come after us in our own Territory, it seems to me *right* that there shall be put upon record the main reasons that determined us in the founding of this Grand Chapter, and a brief history of the difficulties we had to meet and overcome.

"For several years previous to 1889 the three Chapters then in the Territory carefully considered the propriety of organizing a Grand Chapter. The reasons for and against such a movement were thoughtfully discussed. No false ambition, no love for title or name influenced any one. Our weakness numerically and financially was recognized.

"The great administrative and legislative responsibility resting upon a Grand Chapter involving the well-being of the constituent Chapters and the good of the Order throughout the Territory was duly and carefully considered. All this and more was realized.

"On the other hand, here was a country, beautiful and fertile, with an area of 63,000 square miles, and a population of quite 200,000 people, and increasing rapidly.

"The very successful and healthful history of the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory afforded good ground for believing that a Grand Chapter would also do well. The Grand Lodge was organized in 1874 under very discouraging circumstances.

"There were only three Lodges, and not exceeding sixty members, and not one dollar in the treasury. Not one brother could claim more than a moderate knowledge of Masonic jurisprudence, and no experience in Grand Lodge business. In addition to all this there was internal and external opposition.

"And yet the growth of this little aboriginal Grand Body has been steady and healthy. Managed with wisdom, prudence and firmness, it has increased from three to thirty-eight Lodges, from sixty to over thirteen hundred members. Its receipts each year exceeded its expenses. It has expended considerable sums of money in charity at home and abroad, and in educating poor children. It is now laying up money to build a Widows' and Orphans' Home.

"Some of its members are men of acknowledged Masonic legal ability, and its proceedings and reports on correspondence are favorably and kindly mentioned everywhere. The same men who so successfully manage the affairs of the Grand Lodge will also have control of the Grand Chapter.

"Again. The condition of Capitular Masonry in the Territory was considered and regarded as another reason why a Grand Chapter should be organized.

"The first Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Indian Territory was organized by the General Grand Chapter in 1878. In 1889, eleven years after, there were only four in the whole Territory. Blue Lodge Masons, if worthy, are *entitled* to the Chapter degrees. If true and tried stones they have a *right* to more light, to be built into the new temple, and the 'powers that be' should afford the opportunity for these privileges. The Chapters in the Territory were so remote from many of the Lodges that the brethren could not without great inconvenience, loss of time and expense, secure the Chapter degrees.

"The General Grand Chapter was so far away, and had so little touch and sympathy with Masonry in the Territory, that there was no incentive, no moving power to encourage the organization of new Chapters. All the interest the General Grand Chapter seemed to feel was to secure the dues and fees at the end of each year.

"These dues and fees, too, are excessive in proportion to those paid by Grand Chapters. Chapters subordinate to the General Grand Chapter pay fifty cents dues per member annually, while Grand Chapters pay only one cent per member.

"The report of the General Grand Secretary, Comp. C. G. Fox, to the General Grand Chapter, in 1889, shows that *Oklahoma* Chapter, Indian Territory, with an average of thirty members, paid \$56 50 dues for the three years 1886, '87, '88, to the General Grand Chapter, while the Grand Chapter of Delaware, with an average of 280 members, paid for the same three years the enormous sum of \$8 84. The great State of Alabama, with an average of 557 members, paid \$16 72 for the three years. With twenty times more members, Alabama paid less than one-third as much dues as *Oklahoma* Chapter. During those three years, the four Chapters in Indian Territory, with not exceeding 100 members, paid a larger sum into the treasury of the General Grand Chapter than any of the great States except Illinois, New York and Ohio, or more than Massachusetts, for instance, with over 10,000 members. Is this right and just? But some one will say, 'You save nothing to the subordinate Chapters by organizing a Grand Chapter, for the dues and fees will be just as great.' Granted. But what does the General Grand Chapter do with these dues and fees? Expend them in building up the Order on the destitute fields? Not much. The General Grand Chapter now has some \$15,000 somewhere; in some bank, I suppose. The dues and fees paid by the subordinate Chapters to a Grand Chapter go to build up the Order in the home territory. The Chapters themselves, through their representatives, manage these funds and expend them for the good of the Order in their own jurisdiction.

"The representatives of the subordinate Chapters in the General Grand Chapter are only a drop in the bucket. They are so few as compared with the Representatives from Grand Chapters that their voice is nil. I think I was the only Representative from a subordinate Chapter at Atlanta last year. Once again it was argued by those opposed to the organization of a Grand Chapter in Indian Territory that our numbers were too small, only about one hundred. If you will examine the report of the General Grand Secretary, last year, you will discover that the Grand Chapter of Delaware has only three Chapters and 292 members. Florida eleven Chapters, 364 members. The great State of Alabama, with over one million population, reports a membership of only 636 in 1888. Many other States are in like weak condition. How long these States have been organized into Grand Chapters, I do not know. The Grand Chapter of Indian Territory was organized less than nine months ago with four Chapters and about one hundred

members. It now numbers seven Chapters and over 180 members, a gain of 75 per cent. in Chapters and 80 per cent. in members.

" HISTORY OF ORGANIZATION.

"On the fifteenth day of October, 1889, Representatives from *Indian Chapter, No. 1, Oklahoma*, No. 2, and *Savanna, No. 4*, the three chartered Chapters in the Territory, met at McAlester in convention, and, after a full and careful discussion and consideration of the matter, unanimously voted to organize a Grand Chapter in accordance with the regulations and provisions of the Constitution of the General Grand Chapter, U. S. A. A Constitution, By-Laws, etc., were adopted, officers elected, but not installed, and the Secretary instructed to write to the *M. E.* General Grand High Priest, NOBLE D. LARNER, at Washington City, for his approval of the organization, and that authority be granted to Comp. ROBERT W. HILL or EDMOND H. DOYLE to complete the work and install the officers. Our disappointment was great when his reply came back refusing to grant our just and reasonable request.

"In November I was sent to Atlanta, Georgia, to attend the General Grand Chapter and lay our claims before that Body. The General Grand High Priest mentioned in his address our request for authority to organize a Grand Chapter, and his disapproval. At my request the matter was sent to a committee. This committee, without allowing me to appear before them, brought in a report endorsing the action of the General Grand High Priest, and recommending that our request be not granted. I was allowed to address the Body. It was a trying occasion. With the exception of a few friends, I felt that the General Grand Chapter was against me. The General Grand High Priest had labored with the committee to sustain his decision, and he, with his powerful official position, had many friends. I was, however, thoroughly imbued with the justice of our claim. Under the Constitution, we had a *right* to organize. The reasons mentioned above I knew to be sound and good. I made the best talk I could, and appealed to the General Grand Chapter for *right and justice*. When I ceased, that grand, good man, Comp. JOHN H. BROWN, of Kansas, who had been a friend from the commencement, arose, and, after a few words of testimony to the worth and merit of Masonry in the Indian Territory, moved that the report of the committee be reversed and that the Chapters in Indian Territory be not only allowed, but encouraged to organize a Grand Chapter. This was seconded by quite a number, and, as no one desired to speak further, the motion to adopt received such a roar of *ayes* as would have done your souls good. There was *one lonely 'no'.*

"Early in 1890 we received from the present General Grand High Priest, DAVID F. DAY, of Buffalo, New York, who seems to be a kindly and most excellent man, full authority to organize our Grand Chapter, and that true and tried companion, Past High Priest EDMOND H. DOYLE, was authorized, as Special Deputy of the General Grand High Priest, to recall the convention and consummate the organization. On the fifteenth of February, 1890, Representatives from all of the four Chapters in the Territory met at McAlester, in the Choctaw Nation, and, under Comp. DOYLE's supervision and direction, the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Indian Territory was duly and constitutionally organized and set to work.

"On the twenty-eighth day of February, 1890, the General Grand High Priest issued a proclamation to all Royal Arch Masons, and all Chapters and Grand Chapters of Royal Arch Masons throughout the world, officially making known that the Grand Chapter of Indian Territory had become a constituent member of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons for the United States of America and possessed of all the powers which of right pertain to Masonic bodies of that rank.

"Companions, the duties involved in this '*rank*' are grave and weighty. It becomes us to frequently invoke the aid of Almighty God in our deliberations and decisions."

He granted three dispensations for the formation of new Chapters.

No decisions are reported.

Relative to the work of the Chapters, he says:—

"I recommend that the Grand Chapter adopt a uniform esoteric work for his Territory, and require those who wish to organize new Chapters to become thor-

oughly proficient in the same before a dispensation is granted. In this way the uniformity may easily be preserved. I believe it will be wise for the Grand Chapter to devise measures to secure and disseminate the work adopted by a committee appointed by the General Grand Chapter last year at Atlanta, Georgia."

In conclusion, he sounds a note of warning which our companions of Indian Territory will do well to heed :—

"But let me caution you, companions. In your zeal for the welfare of the Royal Craft in the Indian Territory, do not run into debt, nor attempt to grow too rapidly. Let prudence, as well as zeal, characterize all our doings, and let growth be normal and healthy."

The Grand Treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$107.

The Grand Chapter of Indian Territory appears to have made an excellent beginning, and we extend to her our hearty congratulations, and welcome her with open arms to the great family of Grand Chapters.

There are seven subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, having a total membership of 184.

There is no Report on Correspondence.

The M. E. EDMOND HENRY DOYLE was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. JOSEPH SAMUEL MURROW was elected Grand Secretary.

IOWA.

The thirty-seventh Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Cedar Rapids on the ninth day of October, 1890,—the M. E. F. N. LORING, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. ALF. WINGATE being Grand Secretary. Eighty subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Address of the Grand High Priest comprises a clear and concise statement of his official acts, and is a well-prepared account of the condition of Capitular Masonry in Iowa. In his opening remarks, he says :—

"Companions, in appearing before you to recite my official action and stewardship for the year just closed, I can with peculiar pleasure refer you to the prosperous growth of Capitular Masonry from the organization of this Grand Chapter until now.

"Its small beginning, with only three subordinate Chapters and nine delegates of thirty-six years ago, was but the planting of the seed, which, germinating in the rich soil of Iowa Freemasonry, encouraged by the enthusiasm of Iowa Masons, has borne a rich fruitage, and is to-day one of the powerful influences that is helping to develop the civilization of which we, as Americans, are so justly proud. When those few earnest men laid the foundation of Capitular Masonry in this then young commonwealth, they builded upon their faith in the State's possibilities—in the prospects of the future of their adopted home. They believed in Freemasonry, and in Royal Arch Masonry in particular, and saw in confiding hope the oncoming host out of which would be gathered the members of the Royal Craft who should take up the work thus so feebly commenced, and carry it on to an assured success. The result has justified their faith, and from one hundred and twelve Chapters we meet to-day to continue the good work. Abler pens than mine have written the records of the progress of our Order; others have recited in your hearing, and placed upon the written page, the achievements of the past, that we and our successors may turn to it in the coming time, and, while contemplating its glorious past, draw inspiration from the good thus accomplished to aid us in exemplifying the principles of the Royal Craft in our lives and conduct."

He announces the death of Comp. JOHN C. PARISH, whilom Grand Secretary, and after being disabled by paralysis, Emeritus Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Iowa. The kindness and true Masonic charity exhibited by the companions of Iowa to this sorely afflicted brother is worthy of all praise. Stricken

down by the unrelenting hand of disease and rendered incapable of performing his duties as Grand Secretary they elected him Emeritus Grand Secretary, with a salary of \$600 per annum, and thus smoothed his pathway to the grave. All honor to our companions of Iowa for this noble act. It exemplifies the true spirit of Masonry, that God-like charity which is greatest of all the cardinal virtues.

He pays a touching tribute to the memory of the "Grand old Men" of other jurisdictions, who had received high honors at the hands of those among whom they had labored.

He recommended the recognition of the Grand Chapters of New South Wales and the two Dakotas, which recommendation was adopted.

Two dispensations were granted for the formation of new Chapters.

Under the head of "Masonic Home," he says :—

"The Master Masons of Iowa have, through their Grand Lodge, invested more than forty thousand dollars in the erection of a building and the collection therein of the finest Masonic library in the world, of which the members of the Order are justly proud.

"The Templar Masons of the Grand Commandery of Iowa have a site on one of the lakes for a summer resort, on which they propose to erect a summer home, and to which they will annually repair for rest and recreation, to renew acquaintance, and to enjoy those fraternal greetings and courtesies for which they are so eminently distinguished.

"This Grand Chapter has a fund amounting to more than ten thousand dollars, five thousand of which is Grand Chapter Charity Fund.

"Thus, you will observe that the Fraternity is free from debt in each Order.

"Provision is made for the enjoyment of those benefits and social privileges that are at once our joy and pride. Permit me to suggest that the time has arrived when we should initiate some movement that will finally result in the full exemplification of those principles of friendship and brotherly love which lead us not only to support ourselves and families, but to lend our aid to the poor and distressed of the household of faith, their widows and orphans.

"Shall we not begin it now? And in what more appropriate or useful way than by the erection of a Masonic Home? I need not elaborate. It has been already done. And there is no better place to inaugurate such a movement than among the Royal Arch Masons of this Grand Jurisdiction."

Under the head of Cryptic Masonry, he says :—

"At your last Convocation, and in obedience to your instructions, the Most Excellent Grand High Priest appointed a committee of five to inquire into and report upon the status of Cryptic Masonry in Iowa.

"Said committee, if in their opinion wisdom should so direct, to report a plan for the separation of Cryptic and Capitular Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction.

"That committee have performed the duty assigned them, and will submit a report for your action.

"This subject demands your careful investigation and deliberate consideration."

The report of the committee on this subject, is as follows :—

"Your committee, appointed at your Annual Convocation in 1889 'to inquire into the present status of Cryptic Masonry in Iowa, and to report such legislation as may seem proper,' respectfully report :—

"That by agreement we met at the city of Des Moines, on the sixth day of September, 1890, and organized by selecting F. W. Craig as Chairman.

"We examined at some length the history of Cryptic Masonry in the United States for the last fifteen years, and considered the action that has been taken thereon both in Chapters and Councils. At about the beginning of that period, owing to a lagging interest in the Cryptic degrees in nearly all of the States, a movement was inaugurated in many of them looking to the consignment of the Royal and Select Master's degrees to the care, custody, and control of the various Grand Chapters, to be followed by the dissolution of the Grand and subordinate Councils making such surrender, or their passage into a state of innocuous desuetude. That movement became so general that during the seven years from the year 1876 to the year

1883 the plan was followed by Mississippi, Kentucky, Arkansas, Nebraska, South Carolina, Illinois, California, North Carolina, Wisconsin and Iowa, and perhaps other States. It became known in the Craft as 'the Mississippi plan,' and threatened the utter dissolution of Councils in the United States, until its onward career was checked by the organization of the General Grand Council in the year 1880.

"In 1877 a committee, consisting of Illustrious Companions T. S. PARVIN, A. R. DEWEY and Z. C. LUSG, was appointed by the Grand Council of Iowa to confer with a like committee of this Grand Body and report a plan of consolidation, and the same year, at the request of that committee, the Grand Chapter appointed a like committee, consisting of Companions T. R. ERCANBRACK, WILLIAM PELAN and D. S. DEERING. On the following year, 1878, the joint committee presented a report to their respective Grand Bodies, which was adopted, and formed the plan by which the control of the Cryptic degrees fell into the hands of the Grand Chapter.

"With this proffered trust the Grand Chapter received from the Grand Council her cash assets of seventy-four and one half dollars, which some time in the following year was placed in our Grand Chapter Charity Fund. There has been no meeting of the Grand Council of Iowa since 1878.

"When the Grand Chapter of Iowa took charge of the degrees of Royal and Select Masters it was supposed by the Royal Craft of Iowa that the dissolution of Grand Councils throughout the country would be general, and that these degrees would be gladly received by our members, especially when the same could be obtained gratuitously. But in these views so taken our members were mistaken, for in the year 1880 a General Grand Council of the United States was formed, with the avowed purpose of preventing the threatened extinction of Grand Councils, and the general consignment of the Cryptic degrees to Capitalular Bodies; and the Royal Arch Masons of Iowa have displayed no eagerness to possess these degrees even without money and without price. In the year 1879, the first after the merger, there was a natural rush to receive the degrees, and nine hundred and forty-nine Royal Arch Masons were made Royal and Select Masters in forty-nine Chapters, but there were then eighty-eight chartered Chapters in the State. In the following years the numbers were as follows:—

Year.	Exalted.	Greeted.
1880, 384 in 61 Chapters,	293 in 29 Chapters.	
1881, 475 " 66	" 148 " 19	"
1882, 730 " 84	" 272 " 28	"
1883, 728 " 87	" 287 " 33	"
1884, 524 " 78	" 346 " 32	"
1885, 450 " 79	" 397 " 45	"
1886, 501 " 82	" 333 " 39	"
1887, 440 " 73	" 160 " 21	"
1888, 420 " 67	" 199 " 27	"
1889, 268 " 86	" 114 " 13	"

Total, 4920 in 763 Chapters, 2549 in 286 Chapters in ten years.

Average, 492 in 76 3-10 Chapters, 254 9-10 in 266 10 Chapters per year.

"It is evident from these figures that the merging of the degrees does not give them to a large per cent of Chapter Masons, and yet it does reach large numbers; but the most serious difficulty is the fact that Chapter-made Council Masons are not recognized in other jurisdictions as Council Masons, and the Iowa mode of greeting is held to be clandestine.

"Every other State which adopted 'the Mississippi plan' has retraced her steps and re-organized or re-established Grand and subordinate Councils, and every other State except Illinois has declared adherence to the General Grand Council of the United States of America.

"With this state of facts your committee are of the opinion that there is no important principle involved for the vindication of which we are called upon to be out of harmony with other Capitalular jurisdictions in this republic, and if the Cryptic degrees are to be maintained in Iowa they should be so conferred that our Royal and Select Masters may be known as such in all parts of the world, the chief value of any Masonic degree being its universal recognition.

"Again, the work of the legitimate four degrees of the Chapter is at best elaborate enough for a single set of officers, and it is oft-times a severe task to impose two more degrees, which are elaborate and beautiful enough to make a grand system of themselves, upon officers who already have as much as other engagements will per-

mit them to do well. The few Chapters which continue to confer the Cryptic degrees would most certainly feel a relief to release those degrees, which now seem to be so often conferred upon unwilling candidates, to another Body.

"Your committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution :—

"*Resolved*, That the Grand Chapter of the State of Iowa surrender jurisdiction of the Council degrees, known as the degrees of Royal Master and Select Master, in the manner and upon conditions and limitations as follows :—

"*First*. This Grand Body invites the Grand Officers of the Grand Council of the State of Iowa as constituted in the year 1878 to re-establish the Grand Council of the State of Iowa and assume jurisdiction of said degrees.

"*Second*. That in case the persons who were Grand Officers of the Grand Council of the State of Iowa in 1878 shall fail to re-establish such Grand Council and assume jurisdiction of said degrees on or before August 1st, 1891, then the State of Iowa shall be considered as territory subject to the jurisdiction of the General Grand Council of the United States.

"*Third*. That until a Grand Council of the State of Iowa shall assume jurisdiction of said degrees, or until a Council of Royal and Select Masters shall be formed in this State by the Most Puissant General Grand Master of the General Grand Council of the United States, said degrees shall remain under the jurisdiction of this Grand Body.

"*Fourth*. Provided a Grand Council of the State of Iowa shall be re-established as contemplated in clause first hereof, this Grand Chapter will refund from its Grand Chapter Charity Fund the sum heretofore received from the Grand Council of the State of Iowa, to-wit: \$74.50 and six per cent. simple interest thereon from October 1st, 1879.

"All of which is respectfully and fraternally submitted.

"F. W. CRAIG,	} Committee.
"T. R. ERCANBRACK,	
"T. B. LACEY,	
"F. H. LORING,	
"GEORGE A. QUIMBY,	

"Comp. F. W. CRAIG, from the Committee on Cryptic Masonry, moved that the report of that committee be adopted. Seconded by Comp. C. S. FLETCHER. Pending the discussion that followed, Past Grand High Priest CLARK VARNUM introduced the following resolution, which was adopted :—

"*Resolved*, That the matter of proposed relinquishment of the Cryptic degrees be deferred until the next Grand Annual Convocation ; that the present committee be continued, and authorized to confer with all proper Bodies and persons, with a view to ascertaining whether a plan can be devised by which the Chapters in this jurisdiction may be relieved from the duty of conferring the degrees of Royal and Select Masters, and at the same time all those who have received those degrees under the auspices of the several Chapters in this jurisdiction under the consolidation effected in 1878 be fully protected and retained as Royal and Select Masters."

The foregoing resolution simply postpones the action which is inevitable. A Body of Masons so intelligent as the Grand Chapter of Iowa cannot fail to understand and appreciate the disastrous results of an adherence to the exploded "Mississippi plan," now repudiated even by the jurisdiction that gave it birth. We wish to correct the committee in one respect. In the list of those Grand Chapters who adopted the "Mississippi plan," California is placed. California never did adopt the plan, and our Grand Council has never ceased to question the integrity of its organization.

Under the head of "Dimitted Masons," the Grand High Priest makes the following sensible and appropriate remarks :—

"I deem it proper to call your attention to the tendency among the Craft to sever their connection with the Lodge and retain their membership in the Chapter. A dimitted Mason may have the social benefits and privileges of the Lodge without being subject to the duties and expenses thereto belonging, and he may thus hold membership in the Chapter, and be the recipient of all the benefits of Masonry, without bearing his share of the burdens. In my humble opinion, this is an error. If my conception of the Order is the correct one, nothing short of 'inability to

pay' should relieve any member from participating in all the duties as well as privileges of the Craft.

"The foundation on which we build is Blue Lodge Masonry, and he who will not assist in erecting and keeping the foundation in proper repair should not be permitted to enjoy the fruits of the labor of those who work as well as eat."

We metaphorically extend our right arm across the Rockies and say to Comp. LORING, *shake* on that proposition.

The Grand Treasurer reports a balance on hand of \$683 97.

A revised Constitution was submitted, which, under the law, was laid over until the next Annual Convocation.

The following communication was received, and ordered to be published with the proceedings :—

"DES MOINES, IOWA, October 1st, 1890.

"To the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Iowa :—

"Now that our loved husband and uncle has gone from us, we desire to express our gratitude to your noble Order for the faithful care and loving sympathy extended to him during the long years of his suffering.

"Your kindness increased his comforts and happiness, and greatly softened our sorrow, and we shall always hold you in grateful remembrance.

"Very cordially,

"AMANDA E. PARISH,
"LEONARD W. PARISH."

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances had but one matter on which to report; the petition for re-instatement of a companion, whose prayer was granted.

Comp. T. R. ERCANBRACK, Treasurer of the Grand Chapter Charity Fund, reported the amount on hand to be \$5,206 41.

The following resolution was adopted :—

"*Resolved*, That the Board of Custodians shall, upon the request of any Chapter made to the Grand High Priest, hold a school of instruction at such Chapter. The time of holding such school, and the members of the Board holding the same, shall be determined by the Grand High Priest. Such school shall be composed of the Representatives of the local Chapter, and all others who may desire to attend. The custodians holding such school of instruction shall receive for their services five dollars per day and actual expenses, to be paid by the Chapter or Chapters requesting the school of instruction to be held."

The Grand High Priest performed his duties so satisfactorily that the sum of one hundred dollars was appropriated for the purpose of procuring an engraved portrait of him, which now embellishes the proceedings. No one can look at it without recognizing a whole-souled, genial companion. We believe he would thoroughly enjoy the *climate* of California, and extend to him a cordial invitation to visit us and partake of the bounteous gifts Providence has *bottled up* for us.

The Report on Correspondence is again from the genial pen of the old veteran, Comp. T. R. ERCANBRACK. We can remember, when we were a boy, some three-score years and ten ago, of reading Comp. ERCANBRACK's Reports on Correspondence to the Grand Chapter of Iowa. From that day to this they have not deteriorated in value or interest, but are as fresh and sparkling as if written by a post-diluvian. The proceedings of thirty-six Grand Chapters receive the benefit of his comments and criticisms, including those of California for 1890. Of us, he says :—

"A heavy black line in the roster of Grand Officers shows that the Deputy Grand High Priest had been promoted without the aid of his companions.

"Our zealous fraters of the coast were in their seats at the thirty-sixth Annual Convocation eagerly listening to the eloquent words of the Most Excellent WILLIAM VANDERHURST. The Most Excellent welcomed all with 'cordial greetings.'"

Referring to M. E. Comp. VANDERHURST's Address, he says :—

"But he breaks forth into joy and thanksgiving in view of the fact that the Giver of All Good has shown mercy, and that the host there assembled is under His watchful care. His list of fraternal dead is long, and his personal allusions are affectionate.

"He remarks that this lack of bother about various matters that arise in Capitular business caused him to think that there was a prevailing inactivity and want of interest; but when he observed the increase in membership and the promptness with which the several Chapters came forward with returns and dues, his gloomy apprehensions vanished.

"The Most Excellent could not close his fine address without shying at the Grand Secretary with such phrases as 'stay and support,' 'experience which is invaluable,' 'scholarly attainments,' and 'model Secretary.'

"Grand Secretary CASWELL then took the floor and read a paper, in which it is stated that no dispensation had been issued for a new Chapter; that the exaltations numbered 273, and the present membership of 4,650 is 176 in excess of last year, and that he had received \$5,230 95 revenue funds during the year.

"The Grand Treasurer displayed a manifest, from which it appears that the Grand Chapter has \$4,212 60 in the San Francisco Savings Union, and owns one thousand seven hundred shares in Masonic Hall stock, valued at \$27,200, making an aggregate inventory of assets in the munificent sum of \$31,412 60."

"Alluding to our answer to Comp. DADMUN, of Massachusetts, on the question of non-affiliation, he says:—

"No argument will ever again reach Comp. DADMUN. With him contentions are no more."

We wish to say that we never had any contention with Comp. DADMUN. Differences of opinion on certain questions existed between us, but the discussion of those questions were always conducted in a courteous and fraternal spirit, and there was not one of the reportorial corps whom we more highly esteemed and respected than Comp. DADMUN. A good and noble Christian gentleman, he has gone to his reward.

Comp. ERCANBRACK further says:—

"Our California companions show their intense reverence by asking their Chaplain, Comp. ALFRED THOMAS PERKINS, to write out the prayer that he had so touchingly offered on the day before. The Chaplain complied, and after reading it, we can sincerely say 'Amen.'

"We discover that none of the California committees hang their harps on the willows, but play such pleasant tunes upon them that we infer that all Capitular affairs in that Grand Jurisdiction trip along as lively and jolly as a troop that keep merry time to the tin-tin abulations of a marriage bell (or words to that effect).

"To be strong,
Is to be happy."

We would inform Comp. ERCANBRACK that our "abulations" are of silver and gold, and there is no "tin-tin" about them.

Under the head of "Wisconsin," he quotes the following from the Address of the Grand High Priest:—

"The ceremonial of Masonry is wonderfully appropriate and dignified—in no degree more so than in those belonging to Capitular Masonry. Every companion should therefore avoid the very appearance of anything that may by any one be considered as levity or as wanting in dignity. This is of extreme importance, because the impression made upon the candidate is almost certain to affect his attitude toward all Masonic ceremonies that follow. I fear that we sometimes, in our thoughtlessness, give a wrong bias to the candidate by our manner in the floor work. While it is a duty to the entire Craft to accept only good material, it is equally a duty to the candidate to let every ceremony, every step forward, give him a higher and better view of the dignity, the sublimity of all Masonic ceremonies and teachings. Good material must not suffer any harm at our hands."

Upon which he comments as follows:—

"We sincerely hope that such admonitions will no longer be required.

"*'Nulla numen abest, si sit prudentia.'*

"That '*prudentia*' should be exercised on election night."

And we would further add that the companions should *si sit* in the Oriental Chair only those who are competent to intelligently discharge the duties of their exalted position.

In his "Conclusion," Comp. ERCANBRACK says:—

"We have enjoyed the preparation of this report, and have been aided by the impulse of enthusiasm. The Royal Arch Grand Chapters are composed of nature's noblemen. Every utterance contained in the volumes received is the expression of mature thought, of calm reflection. Our companions in all latitudes and longitudes are lovers and doers of the Divine will. The golden rule is in their hearts.

"This report has been made to be read. If it is not, your committee will feel that their labors have been in vain.

"We thank the Mutuals for the many pleasing comments they bestowed upon our efforts of last year. We now know—

"There's no dearth of kindness

In this world of ours;

Only in our blindness,

We gather thorns for flowers."

Comp. ERCANBRACK is no seeker after thorns, and there are "no flies" on his report—*Vale*.

The number of subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction is 108, of which 105 have an aggregate membership of 6,402. Punch up those delinquent Chapters Comp. ALF., and bring them to time. We quote scripture to our Secretaries if they are not in time with their reports, and the result is, no delinquents. Try it.

The M. E. GEO. A. QUIMBY was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. ALF. WINGATE was re-elected Grand Secretary.

KENTUCKY.

This Grand Chapter held its seventy-fifth Annual Convocation in the city of Louisville on the twenty-fifth day of October, 1890,—the M. E. HENRY B. GRANT, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. JAMES A. HODGES acting as Grand Secretary. A constitutional number of Chapters were represented.

The Address of the Grand High Priest was a lengthy and elaborately prepared paper, bearing evidence of the ability of its distinguished author. He opens his report with expressions of profound gratitude to the Great I Am for the blessings vouchsafed them during the year, and with fraternal greetings to his companions of the Grand Chapter. The honored dead are next appropriately and fraternally noticed. The Grand Chapter of Kentucky was not visited by the "dread messenger" during the year, and no memorial pages announce that some beloved member has been summoned to carry up his work for inspection.

The Grand High Priest expatiates upon almost every subject that is of interest to the Royal Craft, and minutely details his official acts during his term of office. It is one of those addresses from which the Craft in general may gather much valuable information, and is of especial interest to the Craft of Kentucky.

Relative to Reports on Correspondence, his ideas differ somewhat from our own, as we must confess that we prefer "the good old way." On this subject he says:—

"It has been ably prepared according to the usual style. Perhaps the time has come when a change would redound to the honor and profit of the Craft. This is an age of progress. While we do not remove the 'ancient landmarks,' we need not be forced to ride in the slow coach. If this report were made by subjects it would serve as a compendium of useful knowledge of Capitular Masonry, convenient for reference, valuable for present and future use, dispensing with a large amount of personal compliments which have won for the writers of these reports the flowery title of 'The Mutuals,' or 'Mutual Admiration Society.' I may say this without offense, because I have written Reports on Foreign Correspondence, and do not know that I was an exception to the rule, but I have awakened to the desirability of a new order of things. The plan followed or originated by Companion FELLOWS, of Louisiana, is of so much value that I preserve his reports as a sort of Masonic Cyclopaedia, while others, not excepting those from my own pen, are comparatively valueless, because the information desired cannot be found without reading the entire report. Even then the matter sought for is scattered through the volume in small detachments or deployed at intervals and irregular distances, dangerous to time and destructive to patience. While we ought to preserve the landmarks, if we can find out what they are, let us keep up with the procession of this wonderful age."

It is very true that a topical report would facilitate the reference to any particular subject, but such a report would be read by comparatively few companions. Reports on Correspondence are food for the mind, which requires seasoning in order to make it palatable, as much as does the food we eat for our physical sustenance. The little pleasant compliments with which Masonic correspondents are wont to greet each other are only *sauce piquante*, thrown in to give an appetizing flavor to the intellectual dish served up to our companions, which does no harm, but rather tends to intensify that harmony and good-fellowship which should ever exist among the brethren of the guild.

We regret to learn that the venerable Grand Secretary, R. E. JOSEPH BRANHAM, was unable through illness to attend the convocation. He has served the Grand Chapter long and well, and being now seventy-six years, is entitled to, and receives the aid of an assistant. May he soon be restored to health, and serve his companions yet many years, is our earnest prayer.

Under the head of "Suspensions and Delinquents," the Grand High Priest says:—

"Like decayed Lodges, Chapters become defunct because of the failure to collect dues from members. The old Masonic rule required the payment to be made quarterly, and frequent payments suggest that members are not lost, both to sight and memory, but I observe that members on defunct Chapter rolls owe as high as \$20 and even \$30. What has become of them? 'Nobody knows,' and the Chapter didn't seem to care. I am not prepared to suggest a remedy, but it might stimulate Chapters to collect, and members to pay, if the names of all who were in debt to a given amount, say a year's dues, be reported with returns. The Grand Chapter would then be advised as to the propriety of granting a release from the payment of dues owing to it, and whether such liberality was not paying a bonus for culpable neglect. It looks very much as if Chapters, in such cases, were taking advantage of their own lethargy, and wrong when they ask for relief and fail to collect the dues from their members.

"After the amount has accumulated beyond the ability (or disposition) of the companions to pay, members are suspended, and rarely get back into the fold. My experience has taught me that in a majority of cases these suspensions are without 'due process of law.' I am therefore constrained to think that a large proportion of these could be prevented if detailed reports as to how the companions were suspended were required. Thus: a column to show when a delinquent was notified of his indebtedness, and how; when and how he was cited to answer, and when and how suspended. I do not believe that the steps to degrade or punish ought to be too easy; but, on the contrary, should be hedged about with all reasonable and just formalities. Many who are suspended are never notified of

the fact; nor were they advised when the Chapter would deal with them for their delinquency.

"I am a firm believer in fines and penalties. The doctrine is taught in divine and human laws, and was practiced by Masons centuries ago. Bro. BEN. FRANKLIN and others used to pay their little fines like men, as can be seen in their Lodge accounts, *fac simile* reproduction of which are in the office of the (Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky.

"Ignorance and suspensions are the bane of Masonry, and while we may not be able to correct these defects, wholesome laws, properly enforced, would go very far in the right direction."

A long list of decisions is reported, but as all are in accordance with the laws and usages of the Royal Craft, and were approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence, we deem it unnecessary to reproduce them.

The Grand Treasurer reports a balance on hand of \$667.39, and net resources of \$3,317.39.

Charters were granted to two Chapters U. D.

A new constitution was adopted, which is printed with the proceedings.

The Committee on Grievances reported peace and harmony throughout the jurisdiction.

Past Grand High Priest JAMES W. STATON, from the special committee to whom that portion of the Grand High Priest's Address relative to Reports on Correspondence was referred, presented the following report, which was adopted:—

"Your committee has given careful consideration to that portion of the Grand High Priest's Address relating to the method of preparation of the Reports on Foreign Correspondence, and beg leave to say that the method indicated in the address has some advantages so far as grouping the subjects under heads, but the subjects are more practical in the Grand Lodge reports than in those of Grand Chapter. There are very few questions of a vital nature discussed in reports to Grand Chapters that are not more elaborately discussed in Grand Lodge.

"The object of a Report on Foreign Correspondence, as your committee conceive it, is to give the more important proceedings and doings of other Grand Chapters in as concise a form as possible; and while this is being done there are occasionally questions arising which are of interest to the Royal Craft at large, and are worthy of discussion, but these are comparatively few in Capitular Jurisprudence.

"The method pursued by Companion FELLOWS, of Louisiana, has been referred to by the Grand High Priest, but these reports are prepared for the Grand Lodge, and their manner of preparation is Companion FELLOWS' own choosing, and not at the suggestion of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana.

"The experience of your committee is that it is always safest to leave the matter and manner of preparation to the committee intrusted with the preparation of such reports, holding such committee to a strict account for any harsh or discourteous language and heretical doctrine advanced.

"Your committee have the most profound respect for the opinions of the Grand High Priest, but we see no reason at this time for departing from the course heretofore pursued, which is to allow the committee to choose their own method of preparation of the Reports on Foreign Correspondence.

The Report on Correspondence is again from the graceful pen of Comp. JAMES W. STATON, who reviews only twenty-three out of forty-seven Grand Jurisdictions, and by way of explanation says:—

"Of those not received there are seven which meet in October, November or December, and these we do not reasonably expect to appear, but where the others are which met prior to October, including the General Grand Chapter, which met in Atlanta, Ga., more than a year ago, this writer would not like to even make a guess. However, we must make the best out of it we can and hope for better luck next time."

He commences his report with a fraternal review of the proceedings of California for 1890. He says :—

"The Grand High Priest presented a plain but well-prepared history of the events of his administration, in a paper of nearly seven pages."

Also :—

"He was able to report that no irregularities had arisen calling for his supervision, and he had not been called upon to render any decisions. One lucky Grand High Priest, if we do not find any more as we pursue our journey through the various Grand Chapters. He reports some visitations, and that Capitular Masonry was in fair condition in the jurisdiction."

Of our report for that year, he says :—

"The report on Correspondence was prepared and presented by Comp. THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL, who is well known in that line, and whose reports stand high in the estimation of those who have the privilege of perusing them. The one before us embraces one hundred and four pages, and reviews forty-one jurisdictions, but we are sorry to find that Kentucky is not included in the list of reviewed."

"Comp. CASWELL and this writer are a *unit* on the suspension of members for non-payment of dues. He, with us, is opposed to suspension if the member has not the ability to pay, but if he has, his own expression well fits the case, and we apply it: 'A fellow who will neither fish nor cut bait, he should go overboard.' So say we."

"His report is largely made up of judicious excerpts, but he is not afraid to put in his own views and speak out his sentiments when it becomes necessary. We have found much that has interested us in the perusal of his report, and nothing on which to differ."

We are proud to know that our ideas meet the approval of so distinguished a writer as Comp. STAYON. Want of time alone prevents us from making excerpts from this valuable report, but Kentucky arrived so late at our family gathering that we must forbear. Better late, however, than not at all, as was the case last year.

There are fifty-nine chartered Chapters in this jurisdiction, with a total membership of 2,490.

The *M. E.* JOSHUA D. POWERS was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* JOSEPH H. BRANHAM was re-elected Grand Secretary.

MAINE.

This Grand Chapter held its sixty-fifth Annual Convocation in the city of Portland on the sixth day of May, 1890,—the *M. E.* GEORGE W. GOULDING, Grand High Priest, presiding, the *R. E.* IRA BERRY being Grand Secretary. Forty-four out of forty-nine chartered Chapters were represented, and eleven Past Grand High Priests answered to the roll-call.

The Address of the Grand High Priest is replete with those exalted sentiments which characterize the true and loyal Mason, and is far above the general average of papers of a similar character. In opening, he says :—

"From the lips of my predecessors, as they surrendered the authority with which they were invested, have emanated words of wisdom, counsel and advice, which to-day sparkle on the pages of our annual proceedings, and will linger in the chambers of memory when we shall have ceased to be active workers in rebuilding the temple of our Lord."

"So well did they explore every field, which promised to yield good results to this Grand Jurisdiction, that no spot is left for me to occupy without encroaching on their domain. I have no alternative but to follow the same beaten path which

they trod. I am reconciled to this, because they have smoothed and illuminated the road I intend to pursue. As we pass along I hope to relieve the fatigue of the journey by imparting something of interest to the companions who favor me with their attention.

"Whoever has traced the current of human thought to the highest sources revealed to us, must be struck with the uniformity with which men have expressed their ideas in all ages of the world. Consequently we can expect 'nothing new under the sun' in the line of thought.

"The Hindoo, wandering upon the tangled bank of the Ganges; DAVID, turning his harp on Mount Zion or scattering his plaintive psalms by

"'Silos's brook that flowed
Fast by the oracle of God ;'

"CICERO, among the templed hills of Rome; OSSIAN, amid the wilds of Scotland, and the mighty genius, SHAKESPEARE, on the banks of the Avon, poured forth the feelings, passions and aspirations of humanity, in thoughts that live and breathe, and fire the imagination to-day. The sentiments of these master minds have been wafted on the wing of Time to every part of the habitable globe where the soul of man has risen into the radiant light of civilization.

"The great orations of this century, and the poems that shall lead captive the generations of the future, are pregnant with 'fires kindled by coals from ancient altars.' As the world is indebted to the intellectual luminaries of the past for its best thoughts, so am I indebted to the bright minds that preceded me in this high office, and I seize upon this moment to express my deep obligation to them. Companions, I extend to you the sixty-fifth annual greeting, and welcome you to this Convocation, trusting that, when our labors are ended, we may hear the glad acclaim from five thousand Royal Arch Masons of this State, 'Well done! good and faithful servants.'

"On the interior of this Masonic edifice, wherein we are now assembled, are emblazoned the forms of our patron saints, and over our heads the artist has reproduced the clouded canopy, through which shines the star of Hope to guide us onward and upward to the Eternal Day.

"Each recurring spring time brings us within these consecrated walls. These annual scenes pall not on our senses, these emblems fade not on our sight, but when we look each other in the face, careless and happy though the expression be, we cannot ignore the fact that Time is tracing his immutable purpose on every lineament, streaking the hair with silver, bowing the form with age, and weaving an invisible shroud which shall soon wrap us all in the silence and mystery of death."

The grim Messenger had not invaded their tabernacle during the year, and the companions of the Grand Chapter met with unbroken ranks.

We note the following decisions :—

"1. *Question.* At a Stated Convocation the Chapter was opened and an application balloted upon. Nine Royal Arch Masons were present, only eight of them being members of the Chapter. Was the ballot legal?

"*Answer.* It was not. It requires at least nine members of the Chapter to constitute a quorum to ballot on the petition of a brother for the Chapter degrees. The action is null and void, and a legal ballot should be taken at the next stated meeting, even though the applicant was rejected, for he is entitled to a legal ballot.

"From another source comes this question :—

"2. *Question.* Has the Chapter any right to grant a dimit to a companion against whom charges have been filed in the Lodge for unmasonic conduct, provided he has paid his dues in full?

"*Answer.* No; the action of the Lodge must be respected, and if the brother is convicted and expelled by the Lodge, it operates as expulsion in the Chapter. He must not be permitted to evade the penalty in the Chapter, simply by the payment of his dues.

"These cases have been referred to me recently requiring decisions most repugnant to my feelings.

"'Three worthy brethren,' whom misfortune had assailed and maimed for life, applied for the Chapter degrees. Their physical defect came within the purview of that Masonic fiat, whoever is physically unable to conform literally to our requirements, cannot enter here—and I was obliged to adjudge them ineligible to enter the Royal Arch.

"It is the internal and not the external qualifications of a man which should recommend him to be made a Mason,' and if the brain is clear, the character unspotted, and the heart all right, it seems to me that no ordinary physical defect should keep a brother outside the pale of the Royal Craft.

"Notwithstanding this is my feeling in regard to physical disability, I humbly bow to the venerable code of Masonic law and believe in its enforcement to the letter."

In closing, he says :—

"Companions, I retire from this office with the conscious pride that nothing in my power has been left undone to advance the material interests of Capitular Masonry in Maine.

"Our Chapters are now working on one uniform plan.

"The officers are generally selected for their ability and good character. Their several parts are often performed with dramatic power and effect, well calculated to impress the mind of the initiate with vital truths, and to convince him that our ceremonies are not a 'tinkling cymbal or sounding brass,' but that they mean something.

"All of our Chapters are financially sound, many of them with a good bank deposit.

"The records that have come under my notice are well kept; and finally, companions, we exalted more brethren during this last year than in any year of the past decade.

"The future of our Masonic institution lies hid from mortal sight; we cannot draw aside the veil and view the still grander proportions it may attain in the ages to come. But let us trust, as our symbolic ark sails grandly over the sea of time, freighted with the precious memories of the past and the high hopes of the future; guided by wisdom, propelled by strength, and adorned with beauty; holding in her mighty embrace every grace, virtue and noble precept known to the world, that she will at last rest on the summit of a moral Ararat, under an arch of resplendent colors—symbolizing GOD's promise to mankind—and may there go forth from her benevolent bosom, three angels of light, Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth, to hold dominion in the hearts of men until this fair earth shall dissolve, and, 'like the baseless fabric of a vision, leave not a wreck behind.'"

The reports of the visiting Grand Officers show the subordinate Chapters of this jurisdiction to be generally in a very prosperous and satisfactory condition.

The Grand Treasurer reports a balance on hand of \$943 51.

The Report on Correspondence is, as usual, from the pen of Comp. JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND, and comprises a careful and critical review of the proceedings of forty-four Grand Chapters, including those of California for 1890. In his notice of California, he says :—

"Your chairman has the honor of holding the position of Grand Representative to this Grand Chapter near our Grand Chapter, by commission renewed February 21st, 1890; and it will readily be believed that he feels a deep interest in the prosperity of the Royal Craft of California.

"We very greatly regret to find that death has laid a heavy hand upon it by the removal of its Deputy Grand High Priest, CARNOT C. MASON (also Grand Commander of Knights Templar); its first Grand High Priest, CHARLES M. RADCLIFF; Past Grand High Priests JAMES LAWRENCE ENGLISH (of world-wide reputation as a Masonic jurist and scholar) and MICHAEL J. KEATING; and Past Grand King JAMES W. BICKNELL."

He quotes with approval from the Address of M. E. Comp. VANDERHURST, and speaks in complimentary terms of our report of that year. "Praise from Sir HARCOURT," etc. Here is what he says of us :—

"The Report on Correspondence (104 pages) was presented by Comp. THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL. Six of the American Grand Chapters do not figure in it because their proceedings had not been received.

"We have read his report carefully, and when we reach the end, we find cause for a *personal grievance*; heretofore he has been accustomed to put 'a chip on his shoulder' so that we may 'have a whack at him'; we have not as yet found the chip in this report, and hence—our grievance!

"He quotes from our report last year as follows:—

"'But there,' we must stop; and if we quote further from Comp. CASWELL we will do so in our review of the other Grand Chapters. If he finds a remarkable similarity between his language and our own, he will understand that we could not withstand the temptation to apply the legal maxim that what one does *per alium* (that's Caswell) he does '*per se*' (that's not Caswell) especially as the '*per alium*' is much easier than the '*per se*'!"

"And adds:—

"We did notice the *remarkable similarity* referred to, and also notice that our brother reporters, in reviewing this report by Comp. DRUMMOND, speak of it as *one of the most brilliant which that distinguished writer has yet submitted*."

"We have a pretty strong suspicion that he 'gets in' here a very good 'whack' at us. We are tempted to take a terrible revenge—write our report and *credit it to him!*"

Dear DRUMMOND, don't. That would be an absolutely awful and acrimonious attack upon our amicable associations. Every mother's son of a mutual would fall upon us and rend us. Let well enough alone.

Again, he says:—

"Almost all will have hard work to believe that in attributing the following to him, we are not yielding to this temptation—but really and truly we take it from his report, and it purports to be his own views."

He then quotes our remarks relative to the respective functions of Grand and subordinate Chapters, and thus comments:—

"We confess that our 'eyes opened wide' when we read it—and we have great hesitation in subjecting our character for veracity to the strain involved in the statement that *he is the author* of the foregoing paragraph, and not we; of course, we need not say that he expresses our views exactly."

Come to California, Comp. DRUMMOND, and we will give you an *eye opener* that will discount the one referred to in the foregoing paragraph.

Under "Maryland," last year, we wrote:—

"If Comp. SCHULTZ has never signed the by-laws of any Masonic Body, he is a Free Lance, and can cavort around the Masonic field, with head and tail erect, holding allegiance to no one, so long as he keeps within the fence of the universal laws of Masonry."

To this, Comp. DRUMMOND responds:—

"In 1769, it had become, and was, the practice in Massachusetts to make a *Mason* of a man first, and then make him a *member* of a Lodge; he was admitted into the Fraternity, and then admitted into a particular family of the Fraternity."

"This doctrine prevailed in Maine from 1769 down to a comparatively recent period. It was claimed that those who did not take membership went abroad and became a burden to the Fraternity. We investigated the claim and found it without foundation. Both members of Lodges and unaffiliates fell into distress and sought relief; but that the number of those, who had never been members of a Lodge, was disproportionate to the whole number was not true. However, our Western brethren got that idea into their heads (as Comp. CASWELL has now) and in deference to them, our Grand Lodge amended its Constitution, providing that a candidate raised in a Lodge became *ipso facto* a member of that Lodge. If he omitted to sign the By-Laws, his name was entered on the roll by the Secretary. We cannot assent to Comp. CASWELL's proposition that under such a law, 'the party did not become a member if he failed to sign the By-Laws.' But when a brother petitions for affiliation and is elected a member, he does not become one *till he signs* the By-Laws. We have regretted that this change was ever made; it is a

yielding to the modern idea that a man can be connected with the Fraternity *only through a Lodge*. Some of the modern imitation societies carry that idea to such an extent that if a man is discharged from one body to join another, in the interim *he is not a member of the society!*"

We are very glad that Maine had the good sense to adopt one *modern idea*, notwithstanding the regrets of our esteemed companion. It is an evidence that some good may still "come out of Nazareth."

Upon the prerogative question, Comp. D. says :—

"Admitting (for the sake of the argument *only*) that the adoption of a written Constitution takes away the pre-existing powers of the Grand Master, that was not done when the Masonic Constitutions were adopted, or rather compiled, for they expressly recognize the continued possession by the Grand Master, of his old powers.

"Comp. CASWELL has planted himself squarely upon the correct doctrine as to Grand Lodges, and comes very near doing the same in relation to Grand Masters : we have hopes of him."

Under "Missouri," relative to the effect of an objection to advancement after initiation, he says :—

"We have held for a long time that the sufficiency of the objections should be submitted to and decided by the Chapter ; but have never gone so far as to advocate the filing of charges and a trial thereon. It seems unjust that any one should be condemned without a hearing ; but our whole system assumes that as long as a person is a candidate he is asking a favor and not demanding a right ; in determining the question of his fitness he is not heard. When he is seeking advancement he is both a candidate and a Mason ; he has a *qualified* right to advancement, not an *absolute* right. We hold, therefore, that the objection of one person should not stop his advancement, but that the nature of the objection should be stated to the Chapter and its truth and sufficiency be determined by the Chapter in its own way, but without being required to give the candidate notice of a hearing."

Ordinarily this would be sufficient to meet the ends of justice, but there might be cases where the objection, although seemingly valid, might be removed by the candidate's explanation. In such cases we think he should be heard in his own defense ; *fiat justitia ruat cælum* is a good motto in Masonic as well as in civic affairs.

Following a time honored custom we "crib" Comp. DRUMMOND's table of statistics, which is valuable for reference :—

GRAND CHAPTERS.	Members.	Exaltations.	Admissions and Restorations.	Dismissals.	Expulsions.	Suspensions.	Suspended for Non-payment of Dues.	Deaths.
Alabama,	725	105	24	17	0	0	24	15
Arkansas,	1,689	160	35	56	0	0	24	25
California,	4,650	273	115	65	0	0	58	89
Canada,	3,636	294	114	106	0	0	*80	53
Colorado,	1,560	143	69	20	0	0	*13	13
Connecticut,	4,610	240	106	17	0	0	10	67
Delaware,	357	46	1	2	0	0	*1	4
District of Columbia,	1,524	159	32	20	0	4	21	16
Florida,	441	48	12	16	2	0	*9	8
Georgia,	1,667	341	54	58	0	0	*27	35
Illinois,	13,106	716	161	321	4	0	*186	117
Indiana,	5,099	379	72	142	5	5	79	65
Iowa,	6,449	366	84	268	3	0	*146	68
Kansas,	3,917	347	76	103	1	0	*33	39
Kentucky,	2,373	177	36	67	7	0	*50	26
Louisiana,	584	23	16	5	0	0	*6	18
Maine,	4,690	312	26	58	1	0	64	67
Maryland,	1,342	125	12	33	1	0	*30	28
Massachusetts,	10,722	792	...	52	0	0	*152	143
Michigan,	9,753	622	99	220	25	4	123	107
Minnesota,	3,275	269	51	76	0	1	84	29
Mississippi, †	1,072	54	39	33	0	0	26	19
Missouri,	5,265	431	103	143	0	0	*163	65
Nebraska, †	2,176	201	167	30	2	0	*15	21
Nevada,	353	8	6	4	0	0	13	8
New Brunswick,	338	16	3	6	0	0	0	8
New Hampshire,	2,607	135	7	25	0	0	50	39
New Jersey,	2,736	246	37	49	0	0	*39	49
New York,	15,646	1,074	238	248	3	0	514	232
North Carolina, †	603	50	5	14	0	0	7	7
North Dakota,	355	55	8	13	0	0	*3	1
Nova Scotia,	517	41	7	13	0	0	*11	5
Ohio,	11,432	725	295	244	16	0	*389	139
Oregon,	851	63	19	12	1	0	25	12
Pennsylvania,	12,467	921	97	168	...	0	*188	167
Quebec,	435	18	4	5	0	0	*3	6
Rhode Island,	1,879	92	2	2	0	0	17	32
South Carolina,	407	76	5	6	0	0	5	4
South Dakota,	1,059	96	21	28	0	0	*9	9
Tennessee,	2,097	212	145	33	0	0	35	34
Texas,	4,235	465	136	173	1	0	*81	70
Vermont,	2,226	109	11	16	2	0	*13	43
Virginia,	1,383	102	23	66	0	0	*25	24
Washington,	470	43	19	17	1	2	0	4
West Virginia,	652	92	12	7	0	0	*7	13
Wisconsin,	4,468	270	75	92	0	0	*46	50
	157,898	11,532	2,679	3,169	75	16	2,904	2,093

*Including suspensions for U. M. C., and those stricken from the roll.

†Proceedings not received; same as last year.

There is so much in this valuable report that we would like to refer to, that we hardly know where to begin or where to leave off, but there must be an end to everything, however good, and if we could make an end of the printer's devil with his everlasting "copy," we would gladly do it. Maine came late to the feast, and, per consequence, we cannot give her the attention we would gladly bestow upon her. We must therefore regretfully take leave of Comp. DRUMMOND until we again mount the reportorial tripod.

Maine has forty-nine subordinate Chapters, with an aggregate membership of 4,690.

The M. E. CHARLES I. COLLAMORE was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. IRA BERRY was re-elected Grand Secretary.

MARYLAND.

This Grand Chapter held its ninety-third Annual Convocation in the city of Baltimore on the eleventh day of November, 1890,—the M. E. ROBERT K. MARTIN, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. GEORGE L. MCCAHAN being Grand Secretary. Sixteen chartered Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest, in his Address, says:—

"It is with pleasure I welcome you to this ninety-third anniversary of the existence of our Grand Chapter.

"We have great cause to return devout thankfulness for the many blessings vouchsafed to us since last we met around the sacred altar.

"Nothing has occurred to mar the peace and harmony of our Royal Craft, and I am pleased to note the healthy growth and prosperity of our subordinates throughout the jurisdiction."

He announced the death of Past Grand High Priest JOHN SNOWDEN TYSON, and paid a fraternal tribute to his memory.

His official acts were few and of local interest only.

The Grand Treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$942 85.

Cordial greetings were extended to the new Grand Chapters of North and South Dakota and Indian Territory.

The Grand Lecturer reported that during the year he had visited every Chapter in the jurisdiction, and, with one exception, found them in good condition and doing very fair work.

It having come to the knowledge of the Grand Chapter that certain Chapters in the jurisdiction were in the habit of remitting fees to Ministers of the Gospel, the following resolution was submitted and adopted:—

"Resolved, That the subordinate Chapters are forbidden to remit the fees for degrees, or any part thereof."

The proceedings are very brief and contain nothing of general interest, but, like a beautiful flower growing in the desert, comes the Report on Correspondence, by Comp. EDWARD T. SCHULTZ, to relieve the drear monotony of the surroundings. Comp. SCHULTZ is an able writer, and his reports are full of interest and valuable information, but he has some queer ideas, which, somehow, we cannot affiliate with. For instance, with reference to signing the By-Laws, he says:—

"There can be no possible objection to members of Lodge or Chapter affixing their names to the By-Laws, or, which we regard preferable, to the roll of mem-

bership; consequently, he favors the California regulation regarding non-affiliates, and, naturally, fully agrees with and endorses the views of Comp. CASWELL, upon these subjects, in his reply to Comps. DRUMMOND, DARMUN and your committee.

"Under review of Maine, Massachusetts, Maryland and several other jurisdictions, he reverts to these subjects in the most pronounced manner. He cites the case of a member in his jurisdiction, 'under suspension,' who is possessed of valuable lands, a good bank account, holding good notes drawing eight per cent. and more, and asks us, 'How would you decide that case?'

"We reply, we would decide that and all other cases of neglect or refusal to pay dues, as our gas and water supply companies treat those who do not pay their bills—*cut off their gas or water privileges until the bill is paid.* If a brother does not pay Lodge dues, *cut him off from Lodge privileges until he does pay; for that, and for that alone, does he pay dues.*

"As there are no doubt cases where the companies referred to resort to other and harsher methods for the recovery of bills due them, so there may be circumstances connected with the neglect or refusal of a brother to pay his Lodge dues that would justify the preferment of charges for unmasonic conduct, which, if proven, would justify his expulsion from the rights and privileges of the Fraternity."

Here Comp. SCHULTZ goes farther than we do, and acknowledges that there are cases where a member neglects or refuses to pay his dues which would justify expulsion. Our Constitution says: "No member shall be expelled for the non-payment of dues," etc. The name of JOHN SMITH is read in the Lodge as delinquent for dues. That is the charge against him. JOHN SMITH is duly notified by the Secretary that unless he pays up before the next stated meeting, or appears and shows cause why he is unable to pay, he will be suspended. That is the summons to appear. JOHN SMITH neither appears nor shows cause; that is contempt of Court; off goes JOHN SMITH's Masonic head. "So much for bucking" against the laws which he has solemnly promised to obey. JOHN SMITH can resume his Masonic head at his own sweet will by simply complying with the law. So much for JOHN SMITH, and California's "cruel law of suspension for non-payment of dues."

Comp. STATON, of Kentucky, is one of the "able writers" who do "not take issue with us on this question." The woods are full of them.

Under "Missouri," he quotes the following:—

"The Report of Comp. SCHULTZ on Correspondence is shorter and less spicy and interesting than usual, from the fact, we presume, that CASWELL, of California, STATON, of Kentucky, BOWEN, of Nebraska, and several other good gunners have effectually spiked the guns of his one or two pet theories. For the only thing of general interest we must refer our readers to our statistical table, where it will be found that this Grand Jurisdiction, although small in territory, compares very favorably with some of her larger sisters."

Whereupon, he says:—

"We presume what he calls the 'pet theories' of your committee are its views upon the subject of non-payment of dues and forced affiliation. If we are correct in this supposition, we beg to say 'our guns' have not been 'spiked' by the companions mentioned. They have been withdrawn in the face of the enemy, and in good order, from the field, temporarily. They are ready at a moment's notice to enter the field again and battle for the rights of our brethren and companions."

That's right, Comp. SCHULTZ; "toot your horn if you don't sell a clam."

The report comprises a well-written review of the proceedings of thirty-nine Grand Chapters, including those of the General Grand Chapter, and its perusal has afforded us much pleasure. Comp. SCHULTZ always gives us something to write about, which is not always the case with the average reporter. We part with him regretfully, but time's up.

There are sixteen subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, having an aggregate membership of 1,366.

The M. E. WILLIAM H. CLARK was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. GEORGE L. McCAHAN was re-elected Grand Secretary.

MINNESOTA.

The twenty-ninth Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of St. Paul on the fourteenth day of October, 1890,—the M. E. HUGH KIRKWOOD, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. THOMAS MONTGOMERY being Grand Secretary.

Forty-nine subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Address of the Grand High Priest is a well-prepared and interesting paper, not only to the companions of Minnesota, but to Royal Arch Masons wheresoever dispersed.

At the last Annual Convocation, as will be seen by reference to our last report, certain resolutions were adopted denouncing Cerneauism and the Grand Orient of France, and requesting the Grand High Priest to issue his edict in conformity to said resolutions. He did issue two edicts, and from their tenor we think no one will mistake the position of Minnesota on the Cerneau question. As this is a subject of universal interest, and one which has provoked much discussion and diverse action among the bodies of the York Rite on this continent, we offer no apology for publishing the edicts entire for the benefit of the companions of this jurisdiction:—

“OFFICE OF THE GRAND HIGH PRIEST OF THE MOST EXCELLENT
GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF MINNESOTA.

“EDICT.

“MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., October 1, 1889.

“To All Most Excellent High Priests, Officers and Companion Royal Arch Masons in this Grand Jurisdiction:—

“WHEREAS, The Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Minnesota, at its regular Annual Convocation, held in the city of St. Paul and State of Minnesota, on the twenty-fourth day of September, A. I. 2419, A. D. 1889, adopted resolutions which are in the words and figures following, to wit:—

“WHEREAS, This Grand Chapter recognizes as legitimate in this country the Grand Lodges of the respective States, the General Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the United States, and the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the respective States; the General Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the United States, and the Grand Councils of the respective States; the Grand Encampment of the United States, and the Grand Commanderies, Knights Templar, of the respective States; the Supreme Council of the Northern Jurisdiction of the United States, of which HENRY L. PALMER is Grand Commander; the Supreme Council of the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States, of which ALBERT PIKE is Grand Commander, with their respective constituent bodies; and,

“WHEREAS, An element of discord and disturbance has arisen within this jurisdiction: and,

“WHEREAS, This disturbing element is known as the ‘Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite of the United States, their Territories and Dependencies,’ and commonly known as the ‘Cerneau’ body, which has been declared spurious and illegitimate by numerous Grand Bodies, and which has never received any recognition by any Supreme Council in the world save by the Grand Orient of France; and,

“WHEREAS, The Grand Orient of France having eliminated the name of God from its rituals, and thereby placed themselves outside of the pale of Masonic recognition; be it therefore

Resolved, That any Royal Arch Mason who shall hereafter receive or take any so-called Masonic degrees from any man or body of men not hereinbefore men-

tioned and recognized and admitted as legitimate, shall be expelled from all the rights and privileges of Capitular Masonry.

"Resolved, That any Royal Arch Mason who shall communicate or sell, or be present at, or assist in, the conferring, communicating or selling, or soliciting anyone to receive or apply for any so-called Masonic degree or degrees not hereinbefore recognized and admitted, shall be expelled from all the rights and privileges of Capitular Masonry.

"Resolved, That the M. E. Grand High Priest be requested to issue his edict to this effect, and that all companions of his obedience now allied with these spurious bodies withdraw from them under penalty of expulsion from all the rights and privileges of Capitular Masonry; and

"WHEREAS, Said resolutions, among other things, specify certain well-known Masonic bodies which are recognized as such throughout the Masonic world, and, in substance and effect declare that no Royal Arch Mason shall ask anyone to apply for, receive the degrees of, or affiliate or connect himself with any other society, body or organization which claims to be Masonic, or which bases its work on Masonry; that no Royal Arch Mason shall apply for, or receive the degrees of, or affiliate or connect himself with any such society, body or organization; and that no Royal Arch Mason shall confer or communicate, or assist, or be present at the conferring or communicating of any degree or degrees, or of any work, secret or obligation of any such society, body or organization; and that no Royal Arch Mason now a member of, or connected therewith, shall retain his membership in, or allegiance to, any such body, society or organization. Which resolutions also clearly contemplate in the case last mentioned, that opportunity shall be given the offending companion to withdraw from such society, body or organization, and renounce all allegiance to the same, and to the so-called authorities thereof, in order that anyone who was imposed upon, or induced to join in ignorance of the fact, or was deceived as to the facts, but being otherwise innocent, might not be punished, if still willing to do all in his power to purge himself of the offense; and,

"WHEREAS, There are in Minnesota, within the territorial jurisdiction of our Grand Chapter, so-called Lodges or bodies of men which give obedience to, and claim to act under authority of the so-called 'Supreme Council, Thirty-third Degree, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the United States of America, their Territories and Dependencies,' which body is commonly known as the 'Cerneau Supreme Council,' and which body is not included as legitimate in the foregoing resolutions, and is therefore illegitimate and clandestine; and,

"WHEREAS, Fraternal association with and allegiance to any man or body of men working or practicing the so-called 'Cerneau Scottish Rite Masonry,' endangers the peace and harmony of Royal Arch Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction;

"Now, THEREFORE, We, HUGH KIRKWOOD, Grand High Priest of the Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Minnesota, in the name and under the authority of the same, and in the performance of the duties of our office, do hereby publish the foregoing resolutions, pronounce this edict, declare and proclaim, that the said 'Cerneau Supreme Council,' by whatever name it is, or may be, known, and all men, or bodies of men, claiming to act under it or them, or by virtue of its or their authority, are each and every of them not recognized as regular or legitimate by our Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter, and, therefore, we do further ordain, declare, publish and direct, as follows, to wit:—

"First—No Royal Arch Mason shall ask anyone to join or be initiated into, either in part or entire, or in any manner or to any extent to affiliate, associate or connect himself with, or to take upon himself any obligation of the said 'Cerneau Scottish Rite,' meaning the so-called 'Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite of the United States of America, their Territories and Dependencies,' by whatever name it is or may be called, and all men or bodies of men who pay allegiance to, or claim to act under or by virtue of the same;

"Second—No Royal Arch Mason shall join or be initiated into, either in part or entire, or in any manner or to any extent affiliate or associate or connect himself with, or take upon himself any obligation of the said 'Cerneau Scottish Rite' as defined above;

"Third—No Royal Arch Mason shall in any manner communicate, or confer or assist in communicating or conferring, or be present at, or in any manner countenance the communicating or conferring upon anyone any one or more of the so-called degrees, either in part or entire, or of any practice, secret or obligation of the said 'Cerneau Scottish Rite,' as defined above;

"Fourth—Any person who violates or disobeys any provision of the foregoing resolutions, or of this edict, shall be held to have been guilty of unmaasonic conduct, and shall, on conviction therefor, be punished by expulsion from Royal Arch Masonry and from all rights and privileges thereof ;

"Fifth—Any Royal Arch Mason who has heretofore, through ignorance of the fact that it was not recognized as Masonic, joined the said 'Cerneau Scottish Rite,' or in any manner or to any extent affiliated or associated himself therewith, or with any of its bodies, may, if he will, withdraw therefrom, within sixty days from this date, at the same time renouncing all allegiance to the same and to any and all of its so-called authorities. Any Royal Arch Mason who shall retain membership in, or be affiliated or associated with, or who shall pay allegiance to said 'Cerneau Scottish Rite,' or any body thereof, after the expiration of said time, shall be held to have been guilty of unmaasonic conduct, and shall, on conviction therefor, be punished by expulsion from Royal Arch Masonry, and from all rights and privileges thereof. Because by the above resolutions affiliation or association with and allegiance to the said 'Cerneau Scottish Rite' and membership of any of its bodies is forbidden, no Royal Arch Mason who is so affiliated or associated, or who holds such membership or pays such allegiance, can be considered to be in good or regular standing ;

"THEREFORE, We do hereby forbid the granting of any dimit to any Royal Arch Mason who is affiliated, associated or connected with, or who pays allegiance to said 'Cerneau Scottish Rite,' or who is a member of any of its bodies.

"And we do further forbid each and every Royal Arch Chapter within this jurisdiction, and each and every companion Royal Arch Mason, from receiving, as a visitor, and from holding Masonic intercourse or communication with any such ; and we do further forbid the installing as an officer, or the inducting into any office into any Royal Arch Chapter of this jurisdiction, anyone who is affiliated, associated or connected with, or who pays allegiance to said 'Cerneau Scottish Rite,' or who is a member of any of its bodies.

"And we do further order and direct that this edict, including the said resolutions, be audibly read in each and every Royal Arch Chapter of this jurisdiction at the first regular convocation after a copy of the same shall be received, and that the same be also copied and set out in full in the minutes or record of the proceedings of such convocation, and also that a copy of the same be delivered or mailed to each and every member of the said Chapter. Each High Priest, or, if absent, the officer presiding, is especially charged to see that this order is obeyed, and directed to cause the Secretary of his Chapter to forthwith, after the same is read and recorded, notify the Grand Secretary of the fact by letter, giving him the date when done.

"IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We do hereby officially subscribe and promulgate this our edict, and cause our Grand Secretary to attest the same under the seal of the Grand Chapter.

"[SEAL.]

HUGH KIRKWOOD, *Grand High Priest.*

"Attest:

"A. T. C. PIERSON, *Grand Secretary.*"

And also the following circular :

"OFFICE OF THE GRAND HIGH PRIEST, MOST EXCELLENT GRAND
ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER, MINNESOTA.

"MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., October 1, 1889.

"To the Most Excellent High Priest of Each Chapter to Whom these Presents May Come, Greeting:—

"You are hereby directed to cause to be delivered or mailed to each member of your Chapter, as soon as convenient, the following questions, attested by the seal of your Chapter, and to which unequivocal answers are required:—

"HUGH KIRKWOOD, *Grand High Priest.*

"A. T. C. PIERSON, *Grand Secretary.*

"Comp. Royal Arch Chapter, No. 1.

1889.

"First Question—Are you a member of any body holding allegiance to the so-called 'Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of the United States of America, their Territories and Dependencies,' commonly known as the 'Cerneau Council'?

"Answer—.....

"*Second Question*—As the Grand Chapter of Minnesota has declared all such bodies to be illegitimate, will you, as a loyal Royal Arch Mason, and acting in obedience to the declaration of said Grand Chapter, renounce and withdraw from each and every such body ?

"*Answer*—....."

And on the twenty-third day of December, 1889, he issued the following, designated as Edict No. 2:—

"OFFICE OF THE GRAND HIGH PRIEST OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA.

"EDICT NO. 2.

"MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., Dec. 23, 1889.

"*To Comp.*.....*M.'. E.'. High Priest of.*.....
Chapter No......*R. A. M. of.*.....*Minn.*

"WHEREAS, On the first day of October, A. D. 1889, A. I. 2419, we issued an edict prohibiting any and all companion Royal Arch Masons, members of Royal Arch Chapters in this Grand Jurisdiction, from joining, soliciting to join, retaining membership in or holding allegiance to any of the so-called 'Supreme Councils of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the United States of America, their Territories and Dependencies,' commonly known as the 'Cerneau Bodies,' and that they might have full opportunity to prove their loyalty to this Grand Chapter, sixty days were granted them from the first day of October last, in which to sever their connection therewith; and,

"WHEREAS, The sixty days mentioned in said edict expired on the first day of December instant;

"NOW, THEREFORE, We, HUGH KIRKWOOD, Grand High Priest of the Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Minnesota, in the name and under the authority of the same, and in the performance of the duties of our office, do hereby order and direct you to cause charges to be preferred against each and all members of your Chapter (if any there be) who have failed to conform to or obey said edict and the resolutions of said Grand Chapter promulgated therewith, and continue to neglect or refuse to do so, for unmasonic conduct, in disobeying the said resolutions and edict, and upon trial, if found guilty, you are directed, as High Priest, to see that your Chapter complies with said resolutions and edict in the matter of the penalty to be inflicted, which is expulsion. You are further directed to transmit to the Grand Secretary of this Grand Chapter, at St. Paul, an attested copy of such charges and the proceedings had thereunder in each case.

"You are hereby further directed to take immediate action on this edict at the first stated convocation of your Chapter after you receive a copy thereof, and that the same be audibly read at said convocation and spread in full upon the minutes thereof, and that you cause the Secretary of your Chapter to notify the Grand Secretary that this order has been complied with, giving the date of such action.

"IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We do hereby officially subscribe and promulgate this our edict, and cause our Grand Secretary to attest the same under the seal of the Grand Chapter.

"[SEAL.]

HUGH KIRKWOOD, *Grand High Priest.*

"Attest:

"THOMAS MONTGOMERY, *Grand Secretary.*

Also, at the same time, he issued the following instructions to High Priests:

"OFFICE OF THE GRAND HIGH PRIEST OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., December 23, 1889.

"*To Comd.*.....*M.'. E.'. High Priest of.*.....*Chapter*
.....*R.'. A.'. M.'. of.*.....*Minn.*

"Herewith find inclosed Edict No. 2, a form of charge and summons to guide you in the enforcement of the resolutions of our Grand Chapter at its last session in relation to Cerneauism and the edicts of the Grand High Priest, issued in conformity therewith.

"If there are any recalcitrant companions in your Chapter who may refuse to comply with said resolutions and edicts, they are to be put upon trial for unmasonic

conduct, and the only question for your Chapter to determine with such is, whether they are members of, or hold allegiance in any manner to, any of the bodies of the 'Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the United States of America, its Territories and Dependencies,' commonly known as the 'Cerneau Bodies,' and still refuse to withdraw from and renounce allegiance to all such bodies. Such evidence will be sufficient for your Chapter to find such companions guilty. The penalty is expulsion, as prescribed by the Grand Chapter, and this penalty must be enforced.

"With the question as to whether 'Cerneauism,' or the so-called Scottish Rite Masonry referred to in our edict, is right or wrong, you have nothing whatever to do.

"Your method of procedure will be as follows:—

"You will either prefer the formal charge yourself or cause it to be preferred by the Secretary. Any other companion, however, may prefer the charge. The general form sent you herewith will be observed. All members of your Chapter who refuse to answer the two questions in the small circular of October 1st, supplementary to our first edict, and all others suspected of disloyalty to our Grand Chapter in disobeying its laws and edicts, will have charges preferred against them immediately after our Edict No. 2 is read in your Chapter. Such companion against whom said charge is preferred will have a copy thereof served upon him, and at least ten days previous to the next convocation of your Chapter after our Edict No. 2 has been read, will be summoned to appear for trial at such convocation.

"No companion against whom charges lie, as aforesaid, will be permitted to take part at said convocation in the trial of any other companion so charged.

"A majority of the members of your Chapter living within its jurisdiction against whom no charges, as aforesaid, have been made, will be necessary to constitute a quorum for the trial of any such cases, and when so convened a majority of the members present is sufficient to convict. You will issue your summons to all members living within the jurisdiction of your Chapter, citing them to appear to take part in the trial, and name the time and place where the convocation will be held. If all the cases cited for trial cannot be fully disposed of at said convocation, you are authorized to call off or adjourn the convocation from day to day, to suit the convenience of the members, until all the cases are disposed of.

"Faternally yours,

"HUGH KIRKWOOD, *Grand High Priest.*

"Attest:

"THOMAS MONTGOMERY, *Grand Secretary.*

"It gives me great pleasure to report to this Grand Body that the resolutions and edicts were received and complied with by all the subordinate Chapters and their members in this jurisdiction, with but few exceptions on the part of members. The only refusals to comply that have come to my knowledge are one in *Glencoe* Chapter, No. 38, who was put upon trial and expelled; four in *St. Cloud* Chapter, No. 46, who were put upon trial and acquitted; one in *Minnesota*, No. 1, whose trial is now pending, and fourteen in *St. John*, No. 9, and one in *Concordia*, No. 25, who have not yet been brought to trial. Such correspondence and other information bearing upon these cases that has come into my possession I herewith submit for your consideration and immediate attention."

There is no evading the provision of these edicts, and "root hog or die" is the order of the day in Minnesota. If every jurisdiction would take such drastic measures, the "unclean thing" would soon be swept out of existence.

A long list of decisions is reported, in all of which we concur, save in the following:—

"**Question.** When application is made by a member for a dimit from his Chapter, is it proper to grant the same, provided the member is clear on the books, and no charges preferred, without first giving the companions of the Chapter an opportunity to object to such action?

"**Answer.** No; it is not proper. Before any dimit is granted the companion should be worthy to enter some other Chapter. The dimit is virtually a recommendation of worthiness, and the mere fact that no charges have been preferred is not a sufficient guaranty of a companion's qualifications to enter the portals of a

Chapter composed of members perhaps wholly unacquainted with the character of the dimitted companion. The question should always be asked in open Chapter by the High Priest, before granting the dimit, whether there is any objection to granting the same, and an opportunity given any member to object and to state his objections, either then and there, or privately, to the High Priest, why such dimit should not be granted."

We hold that any companion whose dues are paid, and against whom no charges are pending, has the right to dimit at any time he pleases without asking the consent of the Chapter or any member of it. A dimit is simply a certificate of withdrawal, and is in no sense recommendatory. A recommendatory certificate is an entirely different document, but is usually combined with the dimit as a matter of convenience. In granting a dimit the Chapter is not bound to include a recommendatory certificate unless it chooses to do so. When such a certificate is withheld, however, it should be for good and sufficient reasons, and a dimit issued without it acts as a danger signal to warn other Chapters to be careful in their investigations before receiving him as a member.

Three dispensations were issued for the formation of new Chapters.

The Grand High Priest pays a touching and eloquent tribute to the memory of "Father" PIERSON, the late lamented Grand Secretary, and, upon his recommendation, the sum of \$250 was appropriated for the relief of the aged widow of the deceased. All honor to our companions of Minnesota for the generous act.

The Report on Correspondence is submitted by the Grand Secretary, R. E. THOMAS MONTGOMERY, upon whose shoulders the mantle of Comp. PIERSON has fallen. He bids fair to be a worthy successor to that illustrious companion, and we trust he may long continue in the reportorial chair. He reviews the proceedings of forty-four Grand Chapters, giving California, for 1893, a kindly and fraternal notice.

There are fifty-two subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, having a total membership of 3,522.

The M. E. A. BRANDENBURG was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. THOMAS MONTGOMERY was re-elected Grand Secretary.

MISSISSIPPI.

The forty-second Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Greenville on the twelfth day of February, 1890,—the M. E. A. D. BAILEY, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. J. L. POWER being Grand Secretary. Thirty subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Address of the Grand High Priest is brief and confined to matters of local interest. He says:—

"This has been a year of much interest to our Order, and there has been much activity manifested in some of our Chapters, but I regret very much that I cannot report Royal Arch Masonry in a more flourishing condition in this State than it is at present. There seems to be a lethargy in most of the Chapters, the cause of which I am unable to account for. I had the hope when I assumed the duties of Grand High Priest that I would be able to report at this time a revival of most of the dormant Chapters in the State, by reason of a resolution adopted by the Grand Chapter at its last Convocation granting the defunct Chapters six months in which to have their charters restored, and be exempt from dues up to the date of reorganization.

"I trust that your combined wisdom at this Convocation will devise a remedy whereby these defunct Chapters can be revived.

"It affords me great pleasure, my companions, to report that peace and harmony prevail throughout our Grand Jurisdiction, and with our sister Grand Jurisdictions so far as I have been able to learn."

Here, as elsewhere, death has sought and found his victims, and two shining lights of the Royal Craft have been extinguished forever. *M. E. WILLIAM S. PATTON*, Past Grand High Priest, and *E. Comp. J. A. RAINWATER*, Grand Captain of the Host, have carried up their work for inspection. May it pass the test of the Grand Overseer's square.

The Grand High Priest called attention to the importance of establishing and maintaining a Masonic Home, and a committee was appointed to confer with the other Masonic Bodies of the State upon the subject.

The Grand Treasurer submitted his report, showing that the receipts and disbursements balanced, leaving a goose egg in the treasury with a part of the Grand Secretary's salary unpaid. *Comp. POWER* has become so accustomed to this condition of affairs that we fear a complete liquidation of his claims would result in congestion of the pocket.

The Committee on Capitular Law submitted the following report, which was adopted:—

"Your Committee on Capitular Law beg leave to report that the only question submitted to them during the year has been the following:—

Question. A companion, suspended for non-payment of dues, visited a Chapter in another jurisdiction, and being detected, now asks for restoration. How shall he be proceeded with?

Answer. Charges and specifications should be made against him by the Chapter and a copy mailed to his address. Under Rule 4 he may be tried for the offense."

The same committee also submitted the following report:—

"They recommend the approval of the several dispensations granted by him, with the exception of those to *Macon* and *Natchez* Chapters to confer the degrees without waiting the usual time. The powers of the Grand High Priest in granting dispensations suspending the Regulations of the Grand Chapter are enumerated in Section 29 of the Statutes, and do not extend so far as to dispense with Section 46 of the Regulations for the government of Chapters, which requires a petition for the degrees to be made at a stated Convocation, be referred to a committee for investigation, and to lay over until the next stated Convocation. This regulation is peremptory and admits of no exception. The reason is to be found in the installation obligation of each High Priest, wherein he promises that no one shall be admitted to receive the degrees without due inquiry regarding his character. The Grand Chapter in prescribing the term of one month in extent for a petition for the degrees to lie over merely defines what constitutes 'due inquiry.'

"Doubtless the Grand High Priest was misled by the Regulation of the Grand Lodge, which allows much greater dispensing power than those of the Grand Chapter, and an erroneous impression generally prevailing that such dispensations are permissible in Royal Arch Masonry."

"The committee evidently do not believe in the *prerogatives* of the Grand High Priest any more than we do.

A brief but well-written Report on Correspondence comes again from the able pen of *Comp. P. M. SAVERY*, one of the old timers of the guild. He reviews the proceedings of thirty-one Grand Chapters, including those of California for 1889. He pays a graceful compliment in the following, for which we make our best *h-tow*:—

"*Comp. CASWELL*, as usual, reported for the Correspondence Committee on proceedings of forty Grand Chapters, Mississippi for 1888 included. There is a

superabundance of good things in this correspondence feast, of which 'mine host' CASWELL is the caterer. We will not burden the Craft with the 'bill of fare,' but place before them some of its 'goodies.'"

He then quotes two pages from our report with apparent relish. We are well pleased with his approval. The dish he serves up to us in this report is a truly *Savory* one, and, like OLIVER TWIST, we ask for more.

In his "Conclusion," he says :—

"Among subjects now prominent before the Craft, we find that of 'Masonic Home' pre-eminent, and 'tis well it should be so, for studded as are our crowns of the Sovereign Grand Jurisdictions with gems of charity and love, the jewel of Masonic Home is Kohinor of all. Kentucky, New York and Illinois have each this treasure. Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Nebraska, et al., are determined that a home shall be erected within their limits at an early day, and we know that Mississippi will not consent to march in the rear of the grand column of progress. A Masonic Home is a beautiful stone prepared for the Mystic Temple that will receive the approval of the Supreme Grand Architect. 'Tis a memorial of Masonic work that will be handed down to generations who will occupy it for ages after we are numbered with the dead; it is an enterprise worthy of prominence in the labor of the most ancient fraternity known on earth—worthy of their sympathy, their zeal, their love, their material aid. Mississippi has no surplus in the treasury of the Grand Chapter, but let it be generally known that a home for indigent and distressed Masons, their widows and orphans, is to be established, and we feel well assured that a large number of zealous craftsmen will rally to the Capital standard. Non-affiliants will return to work, many good and true men will seek admission into the Fraternity—and—the shekels will multiply in the treasury a thousand fold. Let the good work go on. A Masonic Home will shed a halo of light wherever established, and warm the hearts of the widow and orphan and invoke benediction of GOD from good and true craftsmen wheresoever dispersed."

There are thirty-eight subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, having a total membership of 1,002.

The *M. E. W. R. TRIGG* was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E. J. L. POWER* was re-elected Grand Secretary.

NEBRASKA.

The twenty-third Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Tremont on the eleventh day of December, 1889,—the *M. E. CHARLES A. HOLMES*, Grand High Priest, presiding, the *R. E. WILLIAM R. BOWEN* being Grand Secretary. Thirty-three out of forty-eight subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Address of the Grand High Priest gives a good idea of the condition of the Royal Craft in Nebraska and a concise account of his official acts. He says :—

"It is my privilege to congratulate you upon the prosperous condition of our Craft and to be able to report that we have made substantial growth during the Capital year which is now about to close. The institution of Freemasonry commands the attention of intelligent people throughout our land, and it behooves us to carefully guard well the portals of our sanctuary, scrutinizing the character of those who seek to gain admission within its walls, lest we sacrifice quality and intrinsic worth for numerical strength. Intelligence and integrity should be the prominent characteristics of our members, that the world may have no just cause to criticise the material which enters into our Tabernacle."

He, in person, constituted three new Chapters, and granted dispensations for the formation of three others.

Several decisions are reported, but none call for special comment.

He says :—

"It affords me pleasure to report that nothing has occurred during the year of my administration to disturb the pleasant relations existing between our Grand Chapter and other Grand Jurisdictions. My attention has been called to the report of the Grand Lodge of Bombay, India, held at Byculla in November, 1888, wherein the Grand Chapter of Nebraska receives friendly mention, being the only American Body of Freemasons mentioned therein. Our Grand Secretary may be pardoned the pride he feels in this acknowledgment of his thoughtfulness and courtesy in forwarding to the Grand Lodge of Bombay copies of our proceedings for distribution to the schools sustained by the Freemasons of that district."

He pays a fraternal tribute to the memory of the honored dead of other jurisdictions, his own Grand Chapter having been spared the visits of the Dark Angel. Fourteen, however, had been summoned from the ranks of the subordinate Chapters, and a memorial page is inscribed in their honor.

The Grand Treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$2,218 88.

Comp. WILLIAM R. BOWEN submitted the following report:—

"To the Grand Chapter:—

"At the Triennial Convocation of the General Grand Chapter, on Nebraska's motion, was adopted the old-time regulation that 'every brother should belong to some Lodge,' the words of the General Grand Chapter being that, 'Membership in a Chapter should be dependent upon and co-existent with membership in a Lodge of Freemasons.'"

"This regulation has been in force in our Omaha Chapter, No. 1, since 1869, cessation of membership in a Lodge from any cause (dismissal or otherwise) annulling membership in the Chapter after six months. This regulation was adopted by the Grand Chapter of Nebraska in 1883, and has been entirely satisfactory in its operation. And Freemasonry at home and abroad is better and stronger for this regulation."

The only grievance reported was a case of violation of jurisdictional rights, which was settled by the Committee on Grievances.

The Committee on Jurisprudence made the following report, which was adopted:—

"Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to which was referred the query as to the number of brethren necessary to open and work in the intermediate Lodges held by virtue of the warrant of a Chapter, report:—

"That nine members are necessary to open a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, eight brethren may open and work as a Lodge of Mark Masters, seven as a Lodge of Past Masters, and seven as a Lodge of Most Excellent Masters."

The following question was asked:—

"Comp. BOWEN, 1, made the following query:—

"Should the Chapter always be opened preliminary to opening a Lodge of Mark, Past or Most Excellent Masters?"

"The query was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, which committee reported in the negative, and the report was adopted by the Grand Chapter."

The sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars was appropriated to meet the expenses of the Grand Lecturer during the coming year, to be expended under the direction of the Grand High Priest.

The following majority and minority reports were received from the special Committee on Arks and Cyphers, appointed at the last Annual Convocation:—

"To the Grand Chapter:—

"The majority of the Committee on Arks and Cyphers, appointed at the last Annual Convocation to report at this Convocation, hereby submit their report on cyphers, the report on characters being reported by Comp. WILLIAM R. BOWEN, the other member of the committee:—

"After due consideration the Grand High Priest and Grand Lecturer concluded to report in favor of a * * * adapting the * * * in use to the * * * of the General Grand Chapter; and your committee hereby recommend that this Grand Chapter publish a * * * of the degrees and lectures of the Royal Arch system, and that three copies be sent to the Grand Council of each subordinate Chapter in the State.

"Your committee further report that after due consideration of the entire question, and that it would facilitate, or at least bring the matter prominently before the Grand Chapter, concluded to report a * * * to this Convocation, and the Grand Lecturer was authorized by the Grand High Priest to prepare one, which is hereby submitted. The * * * is based on the * * * of Sheville. And your committee recommend that the same be referred to a special committee to report thereon, either at this Convocation or to the Grand High Priest, and if approved, or revised and approved, with power to print the same. And we recommend an appropriation sufficient to cover the cost thereof.

"All of which is fraternally submitted.

"C. A. HOLMES,
"E. R. RICHARDSON."

"To the Grand Chapter:—

"The undersigned, a minority of the committee, is unalterably opposed to putting upon paper, any letter, syllable, or word of the * * * of the Royal Craft; and rather than have same done advocates the annual expenditure of one thousand dollars to * * *

"Cordially submitted.

WM. R. BOWEN."

The majority report was adopted on a yea and nay vote of sixty-one to forty-eight.

There is no Report on Correspondence.

There are forty-nine subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, with a total membership of 2,418.

The M. E. MILTON J. HULL was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. WILLIAM R. BOWEN was re-elected Grand Secretary.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

From the report of the Committee of General Purposes of this Grand Chapter we learn the following facts:—

"The Supreme Grand Chapter was established in consequence of the formation of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales; no steps, however, being taken in the matter until February, 1889, when it was decided to convene a meeting of all Past and Present Principals of the Order for ninth of March following, at which Comp. J. HUNT, P. Z. (I. C.) presided, and a committee was appointed. The next meeting was on fourteenth March, whereat Comp. T. F. DECOUROY BROWN, P. Z. (I. C.) presided, and was elected chairman of a committee then appointed, which at once met, as also on the fifth and fifteenth April, resulting in the recommendation of a basis of union to be sent to each Chapter in the Colony.

"On twenty-fifth April, 1889, Comp. E. O. SMITH, P. Z. (E. C.) presided at a meeting at which all the Constitutions were represented, viz.: Seven E. C., four S. C., one I. C., besides five country Chapters. Meetings were also held on third and twenty-ninth May, at both of which Comp. T. F. DECOUROY BROWN presided.

"At a meeting held on twenty-fifth June, 1889, over which Comp. E. O. SMITH presided, it was declared that the Supreme Grand Chapter was then established and thereupon its office-bearers were elected; these proceedings were reported at a meeting held on fourteenth August, 1889, at which Comp. J. H. TARRANT, P. Z. (I. C.) presided, and were then confirmed—excepting the election of officers, which it was decided should be postponed to a future date. It was urged that a final effort should be made to induce the one Irish and the Scotch Chapters to confer with a view to their coming under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Grand Chapter, and to this end a committee was appointed to act and report. This committee held meetings on the fourteenth, nineteenth, and twenty-sixth August, and reported to a general meeting held on thirtieth August, under the presidency of Comp. J. H. TARRANT, that its best efforts were unavailing to obtain a conference with the Irish and Scotch Chapters, who took no notice of invitations sent them to meet and confer. At this meeting a fresh nomination was made of officers to be elected. On twelfth September, Comp.

E. O. SMITH was chairman of a meeting whereat office-bearers were elected and authority given for the issue of provisional warrants to private Chapters. On the thirtieth September, 1889, the Supreme Grand Chapter was duly and solemnly consecrated, in the Masonic Hall, Castlereagh street, and its officers invested.

"During its first year's existence the Grand Chapter has made satisfactory progress; it has held six Convocations, and there have been fourteen meetings of the Committee of General Purposes. Books of Ritual and Regulations have been published and distributed; a Seal and Certificate Forms have been procured, as also very beautiful and suitable Regalia for each office-bearer.

"Only one—a country Chapter—responded to the application for donations or loans to enable Grand Chapter to meet its heavy preliminary expenses, but it is still hoped that assistance will be afforded to meet liabilities which, under all the circumstances, are by no means excessive.

"Recognition of this Supreme Grand Chapter has been extended by the Grand Chapters of England, South Australia, California, and Kansas, and an interchange of Representatives asked, for which the necessary nominations have been made.

"Past Grand Rank has been conferred as follows, upon:—

"P. Z. NORMAN SELFE, Past Grand Z.

"P. Z. EDWARD MACFARLANE, Past Grand J.

"P. Z. G. M. D'ARCY IRVINE, Past Grand Scribe N.

"P. Z. CECIL A. MIDDLETON, Past Grand Principal Sojourner.

"P. Z. MALCOLM SCRYMGOUR, Past Grand Registrar.

"P. Z. WM. JNO. BARTLETT, Past Grand Treasurer.

"Excellent Comp. BISHOP OF BATHURST, Past Grand Scribe N.

"Excellent Comp. T. H. SLATER, Past Grand Director of Ceremonies.

"P. Z. J. MONDAY, Past Grand Deputy Director of Ceremonies.

"During the year Comp. I. LEE, Grand Director of Ceremonies, has been removed by death; also Comp. G. GABRIEL, who was for very many years identified with Royal Arch Masonry in this Colony.

"Two new Chapters have been opened, viz.: *The Temperance*, in Sydney, and the *Barrier*, at Broken Hill. In the inauguration of the latter, very valuable and fraternal assistance was rendered by the Supreme Grand Chapter of South Australia and its officers—one of whom (J. LE M. F. ROBERTS, Grand Scribe N.) went from Adelaide to Broken Hill to assist at the opening; their good offices are warmly appreciated by this Grand Chapter.

"There are nearly 500 members already on the register, of whom about 100 (being Present and Past Principals) are entitled to sit in the Supreme Grand Chapter. Every care is taken to conduct the affairs of the Grand Chapter as economically as possible, but of course the expenses at starting are heavy, towards the liquidation of which it is hoped that those Chapters which are in a position to do so, will lend or give funds, remembering that it was by the action of the Private Chapters that the Grand Chapter was called into existence, and that at that period it could have had no funds—accumulated or otherwise—and therefore is, and ought to be, dependent in the first instance upon the support of the Private Chapters."

Our Antipodean sister has our best wishes for her welfare and prosperity.

NORTH CAROLINA.

This Grand Chapter held its forty-second Annual Convocation in the city of Asheville on the tenth day of June, 1890,—the M. E. JOHN A. PORTER, Deputy Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. DONALD W. BAIN being Grand Secretary. Twelve subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest, M. E. Comp. MORRIS M. KATZ, having been prevented by illness from attending the Annual Convocation, the annual Address was read by R. E. Comp. E. S. MARTIN. There is nothing in the Address of general interest, except the following correspondence, which involves a most singular decision:—

"ASHEVILLE, N. O., June 14th, 1889.

"M. M. Katz, Esq., Grand High Priest:—

"DEAR SIR AND COMPANION:—Asheville Chapter, No. 25, has authorized me to bring the following question for your consideration and decision, viz. 'Can a dimit be granted to a companion in good standing in a Chapter who has previously been suspended in a Blue Lodge for non-payment of dues?'

"An answer at your earliest convenience will oblige,

"Yours fraternally,

"S. HAMMERSHLAG,

"Secretary Asheville Chapter, No. 25."

"The following is my answer thereto:—

"OFFICE G. H. P. R. A. M., STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,

"WILMINGTON, June 17th, 1889.

"S. Hammershlag, Secretary Asheville Chapter, No. 25:—

"DEAR SIR AND COMPANION:—Received your favor of fourteenth inst. asking decision: "Can a dimit be granted to a companion in good standing in a Chapter who has previously been suspended from a Blue Lodge for non-payment of dues?" Answer: "Yes; he is, according to your own statement, a Royal Arch Mason in good standing, and entitled to all the rights of a Royal Arch Mason. His misfortune or poverty in a lower Order does not deprive him of it and his dimit must be granted."

"Fraternally yours,

M. M. KATZ."

"June 22d, 1889. Received the following letter from Comp. GEORGE H. BELL, Past Grand High Priest:—

"M. M. Katz, M. E. Grand High Priest:—

"DEAR COMPANION:—A few days ago Asheville Chapter asked you for a decision on the question of a dimit. The companion had been *suspended* in the Blue Lodge. Yesterday Comp. HAMMERSHLAG showed your answer and decision. I knew nothing of the matter until a day or two ago and I hope you will pardon me for this note of difference, for I made the same mistake. The principle of your decision is right and I wish the law was changed; but if you will turn to page 15 of the Constitution of the Grand Chapter of North Carolina, to Article XIV, Section 9, you will find these words: "The standing of a Royal Arch Mason in a Royal Arch Chapter is not affected by any action of a Blue Lodge, *except* in case of *expulsion* or *suspension*." This companion had been suspended and the Chapter has been so notified. Can you overrule the Constitution? If you will examine, I think you will reverse your decision.

"GEO. H. BELL."

"June 25, 1889. Answered Comp. GEO. H. BELL:—

"WILMINGTON, N. C., Office G. H. P. R. A. M.

"Geo. H. Bell, Past Grand High Priest:—

"DEAR COMPANION:—Yours of twenty-first is to hand. I thank you for your kind words and agreeing with me that the principle of my decision is right, and I think I'll convince you also that the theory is right. I call your attention to this. A brother in a Blue Lodge is *excluded* for non-payment of dues, suspended or expelled for unmasonic conduct unbecoming a Mason. I answered a letter from the Secretary of Asheville Chapter under their local statement that a companion was in good standing in their Chapter. As long as the Chapter decided the standing of a companion I answered that he is entitled to his dimit. I have looked at Article XIV, Section 9, of the Constitution, and far be it from me, dear companion, to overrule the Constitution; but this law was made for the government of Chapters in case of misdemeanors and unmasonic conduct which follows the action of Blue Lodges in all the higher Bodies, but never was meant for a companion who was excluded from his Lodge for non-payment of dues.

"In my report to the next Grand Chapter I shall recommend to them to define the law on this subject for the government of Chapters. With this feeling on me towards a worthy companion, I cannot reverse my decision.

"Fraternally yours,

M. M. KATZ,

"Grand High Priest."

This marvelous decision, in which the Grand High Priest not only overrules the Constitution of his own Grand Chapter and the laws of the General Grand Chapter, but modestly instructs the Grand Lodge as to what punishment it shall inflict for the non-payment of dues was, to our utter astonishment, approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence. Under this ruling a member *suspended* by his Lodge for non-payment of dues, is entitled to all the rights and privileges of Royal Arch Masonry. "An ounce of civet, good apothecary;" we can't do justice to the subject.

The Grand Treasurer reports a balance on hand of \$7,735.

Comp. JAMES SOUTHWATE again submits the Report on Correspondence, as usual, and like all the papers which come from his pen, it is most interesting and instructive. It comprises a review of the proceedings of forty-one Grand Chapters, our own for 1889 included. He is a little inclined to be "sarkastical," as ARTEMUS WARD would say, on the subject of our *piety*, as witness the following:—

"The Report on Correspondence is again from Comp. CASWELL and is equal to his best in former years. He courts criticism and handles a massive cudgel in discussion. He never gets impatient, is ever 'pious' and intensely religious at times, all of which may be attributed to the '*salubrious climate*' of his great and glorious grape-growing State."

Well, who wouldn't be "pious" in such a climate; and who wouldn't be "intensely religious at times," as he contemplates the goodness of God in fixing his destiny in the veritable land "flowing with milk and honey?"

Again, he says:—

"Comp. CASWELL is a noble defender of Capitular faith as he looks at it, but sometimes he stirs up the companions to the discussion of points which ought to have been settled long ago by the General Grand Chapter. The question of non-affiliation will, perhaps, never cease to be a matter of difference, and, while we concur with this companion in his argument from the text, 'It is the duty of every Mason to belong to some Lodge,' we go further, and say it is the duty of every Mason to attend his Lodge meetings. The presence at the Lodge frequently accomplishes as much as the money paid for dues. Under Arkansas, he goes heavily for the companion who did not believe 'that the soul of man became immortal until after the resurrection of the body, and could not, therefore, join with his brethren in depositing the emblem of immortality in the grave of a deceased brother.'"

We couldn't help going for that Arkansas traveler, who evidently belonged to the dampfool family, and was a first-class crank. Of all the unendurable cranks, the religious crank "takes the cake," and we always like to sit down on one whenever we find him.

After quoting our little graveyard illustration, Comp. SOUTHWATE attempts to throw cold water on our theological discussion. What the deuce else is there to discuss? Those old twin abominations, non-affiliation and non-payment of dues, are worn thread-bare; we must find some new subject to wrangle about, and theology is as good as any, because few of our companions, like ourself, know anything about it. Behold how he goes for us:—

"We think it is time, companion, to cease the discussion of what you term a 'theological dogma.' You think the companion is mixed on the soul-sleep business and so do we, but we also think you are somewhat mixed on the doctrine of the resurrection, and if you will read up on St. PAUL's views of this subject, you will find that two well-informed minds may differ on important questions. If a sparrow cannot fall without the notice of our Creator, and the very hairs of our heads are all numbered, why may not the atoms of our bodies of clay be raised from the grave and transformed in the 'twinkling of an eye at the last day' after they are raised from the grave?"

St. PAUL, my dear companion, was tolerably level-headed, as the average man went in his time, but he was by no means infallible. The sparrow's fall and the numbering of hairs are merely figures of speech to illustrate the omniscience of the Deity. Do you believe that the Almighty cares a brass farthing whether your head or mine is covered with a luxuriant capillary growth or is bare as a billiard ball? Do you believe that He spends His time watching sparrows while He is hurling millions of worlds through space and guiding them safely on in their respective orbits? We, for one, do not; nor do we believe that he cares for one moment for the old battered and shattered caskets of clay in which he enshrined a spirit or soul of man, after that spirit has departed from it.

With reference to the power of the Grand Chapter over its subordinates, on which we had occasion to treat somewhat at length in our report of 1889, he says:—

"Well, the Grand Chapter might go further and bury our Chapter before we would submit to any such centralized power. After a member has been fairly tried, found guilty by the ballot and expelled by ballot, no power on earth can force that member back without a ballot. The case given above is one not likely to occur once in a thousand years."

In this he is entirely at variance with Comp. DRUMMOND, of Maine, and many other distinguished writers. We were somewhat surprised when we read his comment, but our surprise vanished when we read the following. In the same report we remarked: "There are some theories in Masonry which ought to be supplanted by common sense." "In which," he says, "we emphatically do not concur." That settles it; if Masonry and common sense are incompatible, there are many things that cease to "excite our special wonder."

The report is one of the best of the season, and we leave it with regret, but we must on to the next.

There are sixteen subordinates in this jurisdiction, with a total membership of 629.

The M. E. BENJAMIN F. BRIGGS was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. DONALD W. BAIN was re-elected Grand Secretary.

OHIO.

This Grand Chapter held its seventy-fourth Annual Convocation in the city of Marion on the twenty-fourth day of September, 1890,—the M. E. JAMES W. IREDELL, JR., Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. JACOB H. BROMWELL being Grand Secretary *pro tem*. A large number of subordinate Chapters were represented, and we notice that our Representative, Comp. CHARLES E. LOGAN, was on deck and ready for duty.

The Address of the Grand High Priest is a good, practical business document, setting forth the condition of Capitular Masonry in that jurisdiction, enumerating his official acts, and making sundry excellent suggestions and recommendations.

The list of those who have departed this life during the year is a long and notable one. It comprises the names of such brilliant lights in Masonry as JAMES NESBITT, Past Grand Secretary; JOHN M. PARKES and DANIEL A. SCOTT, Past Grand High Priests, and MAR. H. WATT, Grand Secretary. These companions had all done yeoman's service in the Masonic ranks as well as in civic life, and their loss is deeply regretted by the Fraternity of Ohio. The Grand High Priest also appropriately mentions the honored dead of other jurisdictions, among them Comps. RADCLIFFE, MASON and KEATING of California.

The following decisions are reported:—

"A member of a Chapter dimitted one year ago, having the intention of going away, but is still here. He now desires to re-enter the Chapter. In this case, what are the fees, and is it necessary to ballot? We fail to discover a decision covering the case.

"Decided, That the companion would have to petition for membership, and must pay the fees provided for in the By-Laws of said Chapter.

"In reply to this question, 'When is a companion who has been suspended for non-payment of dues placed in good standing in the Chapter?'

"I decided: At the time the payment of dues to the Lodge was reported to the Chapter.

"To the second question, 'Can a companion who was suspended for non-payment of dues be placed in good standing after his decease?'

"I decided: No. The companion's record must stand as he made it.

"In reply to the third question, 'Is there any law requiring the Lodge to report to the Chapter and Commandery the names of the brethren suspended for non-payment of dues?'

"I replied that I know of no such law, but that I understood it to be the custom in some parts of the State.

"I believe this to be an important question, and therefore ask that you give the subject careful consideration. I recommend this Grand Chapter to address a communication to the Grand Lodge suggesting the adoption of a rule requiring the Lodges to send a list of all dimitted, suspended and expelled brethren to every Chapter in the

jurisdiction in which the Lodge is located. I also recommend the adoption of a resolution requiring each Chapter to send a list of dimitted, suspended and expelled companions to the nearest Council and Commandery, because in the absence of such a law it is possible for a companion, who is not in good standing in his Chapter, to retain his membership in the other bodies.

"In reply to the following question, 'Is a companion who, after due trial, is suspended for an indefinite time for the non-payment of dues, chargeable with dues upon his restoration to membership?'

"I decided, No; but on restoration the companion may be required to pay such an amount in lieu thereof, as the Chapter in its discretion may determine, provided the amount to be paid will not exceed the dues with which he would have been chargeable had he continued to be a member in good standing during the time he was suspended.

"My reason for this decision is, that during the indefinite suspension the companion was deprived of all rights and benefits of the Chapter, the same as if he had been expelled, and the suspension might have been for a long time, in which case the annual dues might be greater than the fee charged for the exaltation of new members."

He recommended the passage of a resolution declaring that membership in a Chapter shall be dependant and co-existent with membership in a Lodge of Freemasons. Which recommendation was adopted.

In conclusion, he says:—

"Companions, we are to be congratulated because peace and harmony prevails throughout this jurisdiction; because we are in fraternal intercourse with our sister jurisdictions, and because the best interests of Royal Craft Masonry in this State have been advanced, and with a very few exceptions the subordinate Chapters have prospered."

The Grand Treasurer reports a balance on hand of \$12,014 33.

The Trustees of the Masonic Home, in their report, say:—

"Your Trustees firmly believe that it is possible to establish and maintain a Masonic Home in Ohio, if the recommendations of the Committee on Ways and Means are complied with, and we respectfully, but earnestly, urge upon you the importance of prompt action on the part of the several Grand Bodies, and liberal contributions by you at this time will encourage the subordinate bodies to furnish the means necessary to commence work in the Spring. The Fraternity throughout the State appear to be much interested in placing Ohio in the line of other States in which the brethren have established homes for those who need assistance. At least in four or five localities the brethren have expressed a willingness to contribute liberally in money or real estate, or both, if needed, in order to secure the location of the Home in or near their respective cities. Others appear to be waiting to see what action is taken by the Grand Bodies, in order that they may feel assured that the Masons of Ohio are sincere in their desire to establish a home, and that they are determined that it *shall be built*. It is, therefore, of the utmost importance that you take such action as will assure the Craft throughout the State of your determination to carry this noble enterprise through to its completion, and will guarantee to the other Grand Bodies of this jurisdiction your hearty co-operation and support."

We wish them God-speed in their noble work.

The sum of \$5,000 was donated to the Home, and a *per capita* tax of twenty-five cents was levied on the subordinate Chapters, annually, for its support.

The Committee on Grievances made the following report:—

"Your Committee on Grievances beg leave to report that, so far as they have been able to ascertain, universal peace and harmony prevail throughout this Grand Jurisdiction, no business requiring the action of the committee having been presented to them."

On recommendation of the Committee on Jurisprudence, the following resolutions were adopted:—

"*Resolved*, That the *M. W.* Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Ohio be, and hereby is respectfully requested by this Grand Chapter to require the Secretary of each subordinate Lodge of its obedience to send an official notice of the suspension, expulsion, or reinstatement of any of its members to the Chapter of Royal Arch Masons within whose jurisdiction it may be situated.

"*Resolved*, That the Secretary of each subordinate Chapter within this Grand Jurisdiction be and is hereby required to send official notice of the suspension, expulsion, or reinstatement of any of its members to the Council of Royal and Select Masters and Commandery of Knights Templar within whose jurisdiction such Chapter may be situated.

"*Resolved*, That the Royal Arch degree should not be conferred on candidates at the same meeting at which such candidates have received the degree of *M. E.* Master, and that Rule 27 be amended so that instead of declaring that 'All the degrees may be conferred on an applicant on the same day,' it shall read, 'And all the degrees except the Royal Arch may be conferred on an applicant on the same day.'"

The Grand Chapters of North and South Dakota were formally recognized and welcomed, but the recognition of the Grand Chapter of New South Wales was laid over for further information.

A well prepared Report on Correspondence was submitted by Comp. GRAFF M. ACKLIN, who intelligently reviews the proceedings of thirty-seven Grand Chapters, California for 1890 being of the number. He says:—

"The annual Address of Comp. WILLIAM VANDERHURST, *M. E.* Grand High Priest, was quite lengthy, and is a testimonial to his industry and ability. His introductory remarks were peculiarly felicitous."

In the matter of printed rituals, he accuses us of standing on both sides of the fence. We always have been and still are opposed to printed rituals—that anyone who runs may read; but when couched in proper cipher, we see no objection to them. He says:

"In the multiplicity of his duties it is not strange that he should at times stand on either side of the fence; besides so eminent authority as Comp. DADMUN says he (CASWELL) is 'world-wide,' and what shall it profit a man to attain such expansiveness if he be kept to the line in all his opinions?"

Under the head of "Indiana," he says:

"While it is doubtful if anyone will ever so earn the 'everlasting thanks' of the Fraternity, a long step in that direction would be taken by the abolishment of the mileage and *per diem* allowed by so many Grand Chapters. It is not necessary to the success of any Grand Chapter that Representatives thereto shall be paid for such attendance more than actual traveling expenses, and we believe it would be better for the Fraternity if the Representatives paid their own expenses."

We concur.

Under "Michigan," he says:—

"After painting a bright picture of the general financial prosperity, the *M. E.* asked:—

"Was there ever before a time in the history of this land when so great a percentage of its people were supported by charity? Was there ever before so great a percentage in the poor houses or in the mad houses?"

"A pretty state of affairs must exist among our next-door neighbors to justify such extreme statements. But we think that while it may be true that a larger percentage of his people are in poor and mad houses than formerly, it is only evidence of the moral development and elevation of the community which prompts the State to reach out to and care for the poor and unfortunate. We venture the assertion that the poor of to-day are comparatively rich as compared with the poor of two or three generations ago."

In conclusion, he says:—

"The proceedings placed before us bring tidings of material prosperity in nearly all the Grand Jurisdictions. Especially is this true in the Southern States, where a new and long hoped for era of revival and successful work seems to have begun.

"We are, however, struck with the large number of deaths among the leaders in the Masonic world. Every jurisdiction has its tale of sorrow and mourning for companions who were active and able in carrying on the Capitular work. That their mantles have fallen upon others worthy of the noble work is devoutly to be wished for.

"In submitting this, our fifth report, we bid adieu to our associate correspondents. The experience has been pleasing, and we hope not without profit."

There are one hundred and forty-three subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, having a total membership of 11,605.

The M. E. JAMES W. IREDELL, JR., was re-elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. CHARLES C. KIEFER was elected Grand Secretary.

OREGON.

This Grand Chapter commenced its thirtieth Annual Convocation in the city of Portland on the ninth day of June, 1890,—the M. E. DONALD MACKAY, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. R. P. EARHART being Grand Secretary. Twenty-one subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest, in an exceedingly brief Address, says:—

"The year just ended has in a measure been to the Craft an uneventful one. From every Chapter in the jurisdiction comes tidings of concord and harmony among the companions, and of the prosperity of our people. No matter of grievance or difference has been reported to me during the year. If there has been any difference among the companions, they have been reconciled, or have submitted to the discipline of the Chapter.

"An awakened interest is observed among the companions, from which we take much encouragement for the future welfare of the Royal Craft in our young and vigorous commonwealth, and I congratulate you, companions, upon the pleasant prospect."

The Grand Secretary presented and read the following communication from the Board of Trustees of the WASHINGTON Masonic Temple at Fredericksburg, Virginia:—

"WASHINGTON MASONIC MEMORIAL TEMPLE, TO BE ERECTED IN FREDERICKSBURG,

"VIRGINIA, WHERE WASHINGTON WAS MADE A MASON.

"*An appeal to the Masons of America.*

"OFFICE OF BOARD TRUSTEES WASHINGTON MASONIC MEMORIAL TEMPLE.

"FREDERICKSBURG, VA., Nov. 12th, 1889.

"DEAR BRETHREN:—The Board of Trustees of the Washington Masonic Memorial Temple, composed of members of *Fredericksburg Lodge, No. 4*, and chartered by the General Assembly of Virginia, is now engaged in an effort to erect a Memorial Temple in Fredericksburg, to perpetuate the Masonic life and character of our illustrious brother, GEORGE WASHINGTON, to cost \$100,000.

"In this effort, the Board desires to enlist the sympathy, assistance and co-operation of every Masonic Body and individual Mason in the United States, that the effort may prove a success.

"To accomplish the imposed duty of rearing this Memorial Temple, we propose to appeal to American Masons, firmly believing that every brother will desire to contribute to its success. We have already addressed an appeal to the subordinate Masonic Bodies of Virginia, and they are showing decided interest in the undertaking by liberal donations themselves, and besides, are making special appeals to each one of their members for individual subscriptions. This lively interest has greatly encouraged the Board of Trustees, and induces them to hope that success is in the near future.

"The Masons of Fredericksburg have done nobly in their subscriptions, showing an interest and zeal in the movement much beyond the hope and expectation of the Board; and not only so, but the citizens of the town, who are not Masons, representing the various professions and vocations of life, without regard to faith or creed, have seconded their efforts with a liberality truly commendable and highly pleasing, both to the Board and the Masons of the town.

We appreciate the compliment so delicately paid, and assure Comp. EARNHART that our *turn turn* is *hyas close* towards him.

In his notice of District of Columbia, he says :—

"Under Indiana, the question of oppressive dues is discussed. They are the cause of every trouble, no matter how small they are. Twenty-five cents a month would do, but a nickel would be better. If a man is not willing to pay the dues he knows he has to pay when he joins a Lodge he should not join it. This whining around in the bad odor of an ignored contract and refusing to pay dues after becoming a Mason does not speak very well for the quality of the material that is in the man who will do this. What is one dollar per month dues to the benefit that accrues from membership? But, dues do not average that much. We agree with Comp. SINGLETON, that a man in business can set aside a small sum for this purpose and not be oppressed."

We fully concur. We know many brethren connected with the Fraternity who would never pay a nickel to its charities if they could avoid it; are always discussing the oppressiveness of dues, yet never fail to take advantage of every privilege the Fraternity confers upon them. They are first at the banquet table, always prominent in public processions, but are never seen at the bedside of the sick; their names never appear upon subscriptions for the needy and distressed, and these are invariably the first to cry out against the oppressiveness of dues. We often hear our good brethren from the East denounce what they please to call the "abominable law of California," relative to the suspension for non-payment of dues; yet no one ever knew a brother in California to be suspended for non-payment of dues who was unable to pay them and made the fact known; no jurisdiction in the wide world has more sympathy for the really needy, and the world knows that California is never backward in acts of charity; but for the non-affiliate cusses, who never miss a meal or pay a cent, we have no earthly use.

We would gladly follow our esteemed companion in his very interesting report, but time, tide and the devil (printer's) wait for no man, and we are sorely pressed.

There are twenty-one subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, having a total membership of 913.

The M. E. SETH L. POPE was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. R. P. EARNHART was re-elected Grand Secretary.

RHODE ISLAND.

The ninety-second Annual Convocation of this venerable Grand Chapter was held in the city of Providence on the eleventh day of March, 1890,—the M. E. ROBERT S. FRANKLIN, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. WILLIAM R. GREENE being Grand Secretary. Ten subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest, in a very brief report, states that peace and harmony prevail throughout the jurisdiction. His official acts were few and of local interest only.

The Grand Treasurer reports a balance on hand of \$1,101 92.

There is no Report on Correspondence, and we find no legislation of general interest. We find that Comp. GEO. H. BURNHAM was appointed Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, and from what we know of him in the olden time we may expect a good report next year.

The ten Chapters of this jurisdiction have a total membership of 1,957.

The Grand High Priest and Grand Secretary were re-elected.

VIRGINIA.

This Grand Chapter held its eighty-third Annual Convocation on the twenty-eighth day of October, 1890,—the M. E. JOHN T. BARHAM, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. WILLIAM B. ISAACS being Grand Secretary.

The Address of the Grand High Priest is very brief, and entirely devoted to matters of local interest. He says: "From all sections of the State I learn that Capitular Masonry is in a growing and flourishing condition."

He reports the granting of two dispensations for the formation of new Chapters.

The Grand Lecturer makes a very encouraging report of the Chapters visited by him, and in concluding his report, says:—

"I cannot refrain from congratulating the Grand Chapter that, notwithstanding the immense material development Virginia is now undergoing, and a consequent great degree of interest felt by all her people in the rapid kaleidoscopic changes which mark her broad surface, wherever I have been, the interest in Capitular Masonry is not only unabated but increasing, the desire to learn the work greater than heretofore, and Chapters frequently conferring the degrees in a manner to put to shame the loose work of ten or fifteen years ago. This is due, of course, to a greater amount of study and a better understanding of those beautiful and sublime degrees."

The Grand Treasurer reports a balance on hand of \$246 19.

There is no Report on Correspondence.

The M. E. J. HOWARD WATT was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. WILLIAM B. ISAACS was re-elected Grand Secretary.

CONCLUSION.

For the first time since we have held the honorable post of Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, must we apologize for our shortcomings. As stated in the commencement of this report, we were for weeks disabled, and at the very time when we expected to complete our review of proceedings of sister Grand Jurisdictions, were "*hors de combat*" with a horrible carbuncle on the right hand. Trusting, however, to our industry and well known perseverance, we fully expected to complete the review before sending out our transactions; but, again, the adage "*l'homme propose, et Dieu dispose*" was verified. For weeks since we were confined with a severe attack of inflammation of the eyes, and have only recently been enabled to use them for any purpose; and, so much time having already elapsed, we have concluded to send out our work in its incomplete state rather than to delay longer.

During the year death has been busy in the ranks of Capitular Masonry, and many brilliant lights have been extinguished forever. Our own Jurisdiction has contributed her quota to the "innumerable caravan," and two of her Past Grand High Priests have passed to the land of rest during the year—ADOLPHUS HOLLUB and ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL. Our heart is heavy with sorrow as we record the fact, for we loved them both. Good men and true, their life work is ended and they rest in peace.

We return our sincere thanks for the kind words that have greeted us from our brother reporters, and close our partial report with the good old benediction, "May the blessings of Heaven rest upon us and all regular Masons; may brotherly love prevail, and every moral and social virtue cement us."

All which is respectfully submitted by

THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL,
For the Committee.

Which report was ordered to be printed with the proceedings of this Grand Convocation.

The Grand High Priest announced the following regular committees:—

On New Chapters :

Comp. David Pugh Marshall,
 " Powell Samuel Lawson,
 " Mason Lorenzo Dexter,
 " William Harrison Spencer,
 " William Harvey Edwards.

On Returns :

Comp. Thomas Flint, Jr.,
 " William Lloyd Garrison Soule,
 " Isaac Stanwood Locke,
 " James Martin Rodgers,
 " Thomas Boyd Hutchins.

On By-Laws :

Comp. Ellison Lassell Crawford,
 " William Whittingham Lyman,
 " George Mortimer Holton,
 " James Milton Mannon,
 " George Clayton Grimes.

On Grievances :

Comp. Adolphus Hewel,
 " Uldarico Hartnell,
 " Joseph Bailey Cooke,
 " Lewis Cass Wittenmyer,
 " Henry Ascroft.

On Pay of Delegates :

Comp. Theodore Edward Smith,
 " Alexander Cameron Irwin,
 " William Frank Pierce,
 " George Anderson Tupper,
 " Jerome Bonaparte Richardson.

On motion of Comp. JACOB HART NEFF, the election of Grand Officers was made the special order for two o'clock this afternoon.

Comp. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, Representative of the Grand Chapters of Missouri and Virginia near this Grand Chapter, presented the fraternal greetings of those Grand Bodies—which were ordered printed with the proceedings—as follows:—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California:—

As the Representative of the Grand Chapters of Virginia and Missouri, I desire to present the fraternal greetings of both Grand Bodies to the Grand Chapter of California upon its assemblage for the purpose of holding its thirty-seventh Annual Convocation.

I have the honor to tender the compliments of the M. E. J. HOWARD WATT, Grand High Priest of Virginia, and the M. E. JAMES B. AUSTIN, Grand High Priest of Missouri, and on their behalf to compliment you on your vigorous growth and loyal support of those bed-rock principles upon which the Royal Arch is erected, and to give you the assurance that should difficulties arise among your workmen, from the introduction of strangers, you may always rely upon the active friendship of your companions of Virginia and Missouri.

WILLIAM A. DAVIES,
*Representative of the Grand Royal Arch Chapters
 of Virginia and Missouri.*

Comp. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE, Representative of the Grand Chapter of Nebraska near this Grand Chapter, presented the following, which was also ordered to be printed:—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California :—

The Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of the State of Nebraska near the Grand Chapter of California, presents the greetings of the Grand Body of which he is a Representative, and trusts that the fraternal fellowship which the Representative system has been the means of establishing between distant Grand Chapters may continue until perfect harmony prevails throughout all Masonic jurisdictions.

The growth and promulgation of the principles of Masonry in the State of Nebraska have only been excelled by the material prosperity of that grand State. Under the instruction of the Grand Secretary, Companion W. R. BOWEN, who has come to be recognized as essential to the dissemination of correct Masonic principles in his jurisdiction, as has Companion Grand Secretary CASWELL in this, the fraternity in both these jurisdictions may rest assured that the cause of Masonry is in good hands.

We may with propriety at this Annual Convocation deviate a little from the usual course and inaugurate a movement which will knit the various Grand Bodies with which we hold fraternal intercourse, in closer friendship and a more extended promulgation of the principles of our Order. I may be permitted to suggest that reports be made by each Representative near this Grand Chapter to the Grand Chapter of which he is the Representative.

Again extending the greeting of Grand Chapter of Nebraska, I am

Fraternally yours,

BENJAMIN F. TUTTLE,

Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Nebraska.

The Grand Chapter was then called off until two o'clock this afternoon.

In Grand Chapter.

AFTERNOON SESSION,
Tuesday, April 21st, A. I. 2421. }

The Grand Chapter was called on at two o'clock, the Grand High Priest presiding.

The Grand Secretary presented the credentials of Comp. CHARLES RAY GRITMAN, as Representative of the Grand Chapter of Connecticut; of Comp. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, as Representative of the Grand Chapter District of Columbia; of Comp. ADOLPHUS HEWEL, as Representative of the Grand Chapter of South Dakota; and of Comp. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, as Representative of the Grand Chapter of Virginia, near the Grand Chapter of California; and,

On motion of Comp. WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE, the companions named were received and accredited as such Representatives.

The hour for the special order—the election of Grand Officers—having arrived,

On motion of Comp. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, such special order was postponed until after the reception of the report of the Special Committee on the Grand High Priest's Address, and such other committees as may be ready to report.

Comp. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, from the Special Committee to whom was referred the Address of the Grand High Priest, presented the following reports:—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California:—

The Address of the M. E. Grand High Priest, with his congratulations and thanks for the general good conduct of his people during the past year, manifested in their observance of the law, as set forth in the Constitution and General Regulations adopted for their government, has been examined by your committee. It is an interesting paper, and presents in a strong light the fact that it is possible for the few to govern the many when the desire of the many is for the utmost freedom of action in all lawful pursuits, restrained by Constitutional protection for all; in short, it is the practical application of the good old rule—"As ye would that others should do unto you, do you even so to them." That such is the prevailing sentiment in the Royal Arch family of California is certainly a matter of congratulation, and we join the Grand High Priest in his expression thereof.

In the distribution of the address we recommend that so much thereof as refers to the issuance of dispensation (to form and open a Chapter at Santa Ana) be referred to the Committee on New Chapters.

That so much as refers to the establishment of the Grand Chapter of Arizona, together with the several dispensations for the use of substitutes, to elect officers at other than the time named in the Constitution, and to ballot without reference to a committee, be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

That so much as relates to the amendment of By-Laws, to the Committee on By-Laws;

And that so much as refers to the appointment of Representatives near other Grand Chapters be not referred, but that the action of the Grand High Priest be approved.

We also recommend the approval of the decisions made by the Grand High Priest, as being authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Grand Chapter; and here we note our only exception to the expressions of our esteemed executive in the remark that "a more careful study of the Constitution would have avoided the necessity of asking even the questions propounded." We submit that his intelligent responses to the anxious enquirers of his administration have been of value to the recipients and have reflected credit upon the intelligent analysis of the law rendered by him. He has proved himself not only qualified to understand, but also to explain the law. By all means let the companions persevere in seeking information.

"So fades a summer cloud away;
So sinks the gale when storms are o'er;
So gently shuts the eye of day;
So dies a wave along the shore."

The Grand High Priest has announced the death of four eminent Companions. Two of them were a part of us, well known to you all—leaders in the Masonic organization of the Pacific Coast. We honored them in their lives, and will honor their memories by making record of their many virtues.

Past Grand High Priests ADOLPHUS HOLLUS and ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL have gone up with their work for inspection. Let us improve the lesson so forcibly presented to us by their absence to-day.

Companions CHAPMAN and FERGUSON we have known as Royal Arch Masons of National and State repute—Companion CHAPMAN as General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, and Companion FERGUSON as the accomplished Grand High Priest of the State of Oregon. They both led active, useful lives, and closed them with the knowledge that the world was better that they had lived.

We second the Grand High Priest's mention for a Special Committee to prepare a suitable paper for record in memory of the illustrious dead.

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California :—

Your committee have examined, during the recess, the report of the Grand Secretary.

We have segregated the statement therein, in regard to the application for restoration of Comp. FRANK DOWNING TUNIS, and incorporated our views with our recommendation in a separate report.

The matters referring to the surrender of the charter of, and the financial condition of, *Olive* Chapter, No. 23, having reference almost entirely to the finances of the Grand Chapter, we recommend their reference to the Committee on Finance.

We believe this concludes the business referred to us, as your Special Committee, and we close by congratulating the Grand Chapter on the very efficient service rendered by its accomplished Grand Secretary.

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California :—

Your committee have had under consideration the application to this Grand Chapter of Comp. FRANK DOWNING TUNIS, late High Priest of *Lakeport* Chapter, No. 54, for restoration to the rights and privileges of Royal Arch Masonry, and report as follows :—

WHEREAS, A dispensation was granted to *Lakeport* Chapter on the 20th of March, 1878, to FRANK D. TUNIS, and other companions in Lake County, and subsequently, under certain representations and promises made at the session of April, 1880, a charter was granted said Chapter; and furthermore, from the results of an investigation made by a Committee of the Grand Chapter in April, 1881, it was declared that *Lakeport* Chapter had brought discredit upon Royal Arch Masonry in this Jurisdiction, by gross negligence or willful violation of express or implied obligations, and still continued to do so—for said reasons, among others, the charter of said Chapter was revoked and said Chapter declared extinct. And for the willful disregard of the authority of this Grand Chapter, and his contemptuous acts as the High Priest of said *Lakeport* Chapter, Comp. FRANK DOWNING TUNIS was by this Grand Chapter, on April 12, 1882, expelled from all his rights and privileges as a Royal Arch Mason; and

WHEREAS, By a communication bearing date August 17, 1889, addressed to this Grand Chapter, Comp. TUNIS expresses his sincere regret for his conduct, made as he believes under a misapprehension of the obligations devolving upon him, acknowl-

edges his wrong, expresses his sincere regret therefor, and asks that the Grand Chapter in its merciful consideration of his offense and his punishment therefor, now restore him to the rights and privileges of a Royal Arch Mason, and hopes by future loyal service to render full compensation for the past.

Therefore, in consideration of the frank statement and acknowledgment of his offense, and believing that the punishment inflicted has been ample for the offense committed, and in further consideration of the assurances given by Comp. FRANK D. TUNIS, your committee offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption:—

Resolved, That Comp. FRANK DOWNING TUNIS, expelled by this Grand Chapter April 12, 1882, be and he is hereby restored to all his rights and privileges as a Royal Arch Mason.

The Grand Secretary is hereby directed to issue to Comp. TUNIS a certificate to that effect.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, }
JACOB HAET NEFF, } *Committee.*
WILLIAM VANDERHURST, }

Which reports were concurred in, and the resolution accompanying the last report was unanimously adopted.

Comp. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, from the Committee on Jurisprudence, presented the following report:—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence desire to report that they have performed their duty in the examination of all matters in connection with the organization of the Grand Chapter of Arizona. We find its organization to be regular and in accordance with the best interests of Capitular Masonry. We therefore offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption:—

Resolved, That this Grand Chapter recognizes the Grand Chapter of Arizona as a legally formed Grand Chapter and cordially welcomes that Body into the family of Grand Royal Arch Chapters.

Your committee also report that they have examined the several dispensations issued during the recess of the Grand Chapter by the M. E. Grand High Priest, and find their issuance authorized by law, and recommend that his action therein be approved.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, }
JACOB HAET NEFF, } *Committee.*
WILEY JAMES TINNIN, }

Which report was concurred in, and the accompanying resolution adopted.

Comp. THOMAS FLINT, Jr., from the Committee on Returns, presented the following report:—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California:—

Your Committee on Returns of the subordinate Chapters beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and find that the returns from all the Chapters have been received by the Grand Secretary, accompanied by the dues in each case, and were correctly and neatly prepared.

The amount of dues for which the several Chapters of the jurisdiction were indebted, are as follows:

	Gen. Fund.	Rep. Fund.	Total.
<i>San Francisco</i> , No. 1,.....	\$ 96 00	\$192 00	\$288 00
<i>Sonora</i> , " 2,.....	10 50	21 00	31 50
<i>Sacramento</i> , " 3,.....	67 50	135 00	202 50
<i>California</i> , " 5,.....	118 00	236 00	354 00
<i>Nevada</i> , " 6,.....	14 75	29 50	44 25
<i>Benicia</i> , " 7,.....	7 75	15 50	23 25
<i>Shasta</i> , " 9,.....	13 50	27 00	40 50
<i>Sutler</i> , " 11,.....	10 50	21 00	31 50
<i>Merced</i> , " 12,.....	11 50	23 00	34 50
<i>Washington</i> , " 13,.....	30 25	60 50	90 75
<i>Howard</i> , " 14,.....	34 50	69 00	103 50
<i>Cyrus</i> , " 15,.....	11 75	23 50	35 25
<i>Saint James</i> , " 16,.....	9 50	19 00	28 50
<i>Libanus</i> , " 17,.....	6 75	13 50	20 25
<i>Grass Valley</i> , " 18,.....	20 25	40 50	60 75
<i>Trinity</i> , " 19,.....	7 50	15 00	22 50
<i>Franklin</i> , " 20,.....	19 25	38 50	57 75
<i>Sierra</i> , " 21,.....	7 75	15 50	23 25
<i>Petaluma</i> , " 22,.....	14 25	42 75	57 00
<i>Oliver</i> , " 23,.....	No Returns—Charter surrendered.		
<i>La Fayette</i> , " 24,.....	4 00	8 00	12 00
<i>Georgetown</i> , " 25,.....	4 50	9 00	13 50
<i>Delta</i> , " 27,.....	7 50	15 00	22 50
<i>Stockton</i> , " 28,.....	26 25	52 50	78 75
<i>Manzanita</i> , " 29,.....	12 75	25 50	38 25
<i>Napa</i> , " 30,.....	10 25	20 50	30 75
<i>Martinez</i> , " 31,.....	12 00	24 00	36 00
<i>Los Angeles</i> , " 33,.....	18 75	37 50	56 25
<i>Alturas</i> , " 34,.....	5 50	11 00	16 50
<i>Naval</i> , " 35,.....	20 75	41 50	62 25
<i>Oakland</i> , " 36,.....	58 25	116 50	174 75
<i>Siloam</i> , " 37,.....	8 50	17 00	25 50
<i>Santa Cruz</i> , " 38,.....	10 00	20 00	30 00
<i>Donner</i> , " 39,.....	8 75	17 50	26 25
<i>Red Bluff</i> , " 40,.....	18 25	36 50	54 75
<i>Temple</i> , " 41,.....	10 25	20 50	30 75
<i>Chico</i> , " 42,.....	18 00	36 00	54 00
<i>Solano</i> , " 43,.....	15 00	30 00	45 00
<i>Visalia</i> , " 44,.....	15 50	31 00	46 50
<i>Santa Rosa</i> , " 45,.....	30 25	60 50	90 75
<i>Woodland</i> , " 46,.....	12 00	24 00	36 00
<i>Lassen</i> , " 47,.....	14 00	28 00	42 00
<i>Dixon</i> , " 48,.....	14 00	28 00	42 00
<i>Modesto</i> , " 49,.....	11 50	23 00	34 50
<i>Ventura</i> , " 50,.....	8 25	16 50	24 75
<i>Corinthian</i> , " 51,.....	11 25	22 50	33 75
<i>Humboldt</i> , " 52,.....	23 25	46 50	69 75
<i>Ukiah</i> , " 53,.....	20 75	41 50	62 25
<i>Keystone</i> , " 56,.....	10 00	20 00	30 00

		Gen. Fund.	Rep. Fund.	Total
<i>Signet,</i>	No. 57,.....	\$55 00	\$110 00	\$165 00
<i>Salinas,</i>	" 59,.....	18 00	38 00	54 00
<i>Colusa,</i>	" 60,.....	8 50	17 00	25 50
<i>San Diego,</i>	" 61,.....	21 50	43 00	64 50
<i>San Luis,</i>	" 62,.....	19 25	38 50	57 75
<i>St. Helena,</i>	" 63,.....	8 50	17 00	25 50
<i>Acacia,</i>	" 64,.....	5 00	10 00	15 00
<i>Antioch,</i>	" 65,.....	5 50	11 00	16 50
<i>Dorio,</i>	" 66,.....	6 50	13 00	19 50
<i>Riverside,</i>	" 67,.....	13 50	27 00	40 50
<i>Hollister,</i>	" 68,.....	6 50	13 00	19 50
<i>Trigo,</i>	" 69,.....	20 25	40 50	60 75
<i>Alameda,</i>	" 70,.....	11 50	23 00	34 50
<i>Tulare,</i>	" 71,.....	8 50	17 00	25 50
<i>Crown,</i>	" 72,.....	12 75	25 50	38 25
<i>Orange,</i>	U. D.,.....	6 75	13 50	20 25
Making a total of.....		\$1179 25	\$2372 75	\$3552 00

All which is respectfully submitted.

THOMAS FLINT, JR., }
W. L. G. SOULE, } Committee.
J. M. RODGERS, }

Which report was concurred in.

Comp. THOMAS FLINT, Jr., from the Committee on Finances, presented the following report:—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California:—

Your Committee on Finances, to whom was referred a resolution directing them to report at this Convocation upon the advisability, and consequent expense, of procuring Past Grand High Priests' jewels, for presentation to all living Past Grand High Priests of this Grand Chapter, beg leave to report as follows:—

Two designs have been submitted to your committee—one to cost \$50, the other \$60—which designs are herewith enclosed. Your committee, after careful examination of the two designs, have unanimously decided to recommend for adoption the STORR design, the jewel to cost \$60, provided the Grand Chapter shall decide to adopt a Past Grand High Priest's jewel.

The considerable expense attendant upon the purchase of these jewels has decided your committee to refer the whole matter back to the Grand Chapter for its consideration.

All which is respectfully submitted.

THOMAS FLINT, JR., }
I. P. KINCAID, } Committee.
CHARLES E. GILLET, }

Which report was placed on file, and its further consideration postponed indefinitely.

Comp. EDWARD COLEMAN presented the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Grand High Priest elect be authorized to subscribe, in the name of the Grand Chapter, for one hundred shares of the capital stock of the

Masonic Temple Association, and that the Grand Secretary be directed to draw his warrants on the Grand Treasurer, as the same may become due and payable, for the sum of two thousand dollars.

Which resolution was adopted.

The Grand High Priest announced the following committee—

On Obituaries :..... { Comp. Milton Hills Myrick,
“ Joseph Bonaparte Richardson,
“ William Frank Pierce.

The special order—the election of Grand Officers—was now taken up, and the Grand High Priest having appointed Companions GEORGE MORTIMER HOLTON and ALBERT MOORE KNAPP to act as tellers, the election proceeded, with the following result :—

The *M. E.* MILTON HILLS MYRICK was elected Grand High Priest ;
The *R. E.* WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS was elected Deputy Grand High Priest ;
The *R. E.* CHARLES RAY GRITMAN was elected Grand King ;
The *R. E.* ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD was elected Grand Scribe ;
The *R. E.* HIRAM THROOP GRAVES was elected Grand Treasurer ;
The *R. E.* THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL was elected Grand Secretary.

Comp. ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD presented the following amendment to the Constitution of the Grand Chapter, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, viz :—

Amend Section 5 of Article XVII of the Constitution of the Grand Chapter, by striking out the word “fifty” and inserting the word “thirty” instead thereof ; so that the section, when amended, shall read as follows :

“SEC. 5. No Chapter shall confer the degrees for a less sum than thirty dollars, and in every case the entire fee shall accompany the petition.”

On motion of Comp. HIRAM THROOP GRAVES, the installation of Grand Officers was made the special order for two o'clock to-morrow afternoon.

The Grand Chapter was then called off until to-morrow morning at ten o'clock.

In Grand Chapter.

MORNING SESSION,
Wednesday, April 22, A. I. 2421. }

The Grand Chapter was called on at ten o'clock, the Grand High Priest presiding.

After music by the choir, the minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Comp. DAVID PUGH MARSHALL, from the Committee on New Chapters, presented the following report :—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California :—

Your Committee on New Chapters have examined the books and papers of *Orange Chapter*, under dispensation, and beg leave to report :—

That the Chapter has not (presumably on the basis of economy) provided itself with a suitable Record Book or Book of Marks.

Your committee recommend that *Orange Chapter* be required to procure the necessary books, as all other Chapters are now required to in this jurisdiction. Your committee, believing that the Chapter will cheerfully comply with this request, therefore offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption :—

Resolved, That *Orange Chapter*, located at Santa Ana, Orange county, be granted a charter, and that it be numbered in its regular order upon the roll of the Grand Chapter.

All which is respectfully submitted.

DAVID P. MARSHALL,	} Committee.
POWEL S. LAWSON,	
WILLIAM H. SPENCER,	
WILLIAM HARVEY EDWARDS,	

Which report was concurred in, and the resolution adopted.

Comp. MILTON HILLS MYRICK, from the Special Committee on Obituaries, presented the following report :—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California :—

Your committee, appointed upon the occasion of the deaths of Comps. ADOLPHUS HOLLUB and ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, respectfully submit as follows :—

Our Comp. ADOLPHUS HOLLUB was born in Bohemia, in the Empire of Austria, September 20, 1819, and died in the city and county of San Francisco May 25, 1890, being in his seventy-first year. His life, for forty years, was closely identified with the development of this State and of Masonry therein. In November, 1850, he attended the Grand Lodge, and in 1851 was Grand Lecturer of that body, he being then a member of *Jennings Lodge*, No. 4, of Sacramento. In May, 1854, he was delegate from *San Francisco Chapter*, No. 1, to the Convention which organized this Grand Chapter; and from that time he was in attendance upon every Convocation of the Grand Chapter until that of 1890. He failed to attend the Convocation of that year, as he was then in his last illness, and was unable to be present. He was Grand High Priest of this body for the year commencing in May, 1862. He was an upright man, a good citizen, and a true friend. He was devoted in his religion, devoted in his family and social relations, and devoted in his love for our Order. We can fittingly repeat what has been said of him: "He was a God-fearing man; one who not only knew the right, but followed it; with him, precept and example went hand in hand."

His actions were so in harmony with his professions, his character was so well rounded and complete, that we can truly believe that while he was still with us he had already heard the gavel of God summoning his soul to the Eternal Convocation of the Just made Perfect.

Comp. ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL was born in the city of New York, June 29, 1818, and died in the city and county of San Francisco December 28, 1890. Your committee is not advised when he became a Mason, but he early came to this State, and at once took rank in our Order. He was Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Masons in California from 1855 until his death, being elected to that office for thirty-five consecutive years. In 1875 he became Deputy Grand High Priest of this body, and in 1876 became its Grand High Priest. He has also been Grand Commander of Knights Templar.

No man in this State has been better known in our Order than Comp. ABELL. His efficiency in office and his knowledge of the business and law of Masonry were unsurpassed. His brethren and his companions, by their continued confidence in his ability and faithfulness, have shown their full appreciation of his talents. He was warm in his attachments, and gathered about him devoted friends. His name is so connected with the history of our Order in this State that it will long endure in close remembrance.

All which is respectfully submitted.

MILTON HILLS MYRICK,
JEROME BONAPARTE RICHARDSON, } Committee.
WILLIAM FRANK PIEBOR,

Which report was unanimously concurred in.

Comp. ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD, from the Committee on By-Laws, presented the following report:—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California:—

Your Committee on By-Laws, having duly considered the matters referred to it, respectfully report:—

Amendments to By-Laws have been made and regularly reported to the M. E. Grand High Priest, for his approval, as follows:—

1. *Sonora* Chapter, No. 2, changing night of meeting.
2. *Sutter* Chapter, No. 11, reducing monthly dues.
3. *Washington* Chapter, No. 13, changing night of meeting.
4. *Manzanita* Chapter, No. 23, changing night of meeting.
5. *Napa* Chapter, No. 30, increasing monthly dues.
6. *Napa* Chapter, No. 30, changing night of meeting.
7. *Doric* Chapter, No. 66, changing night of meeting.

The foregoing amendments being within the powers of the several Chapters, and conflicting with no law or provision of the Grand Chapter's Constitution, and fully shown to have been regularly adopted by the several Chapters, we recommend that the action of the M. E. Grand High Priest, in approving the same, be concurred in.

Also having examined the By-Laws of *Orange* Chapter, U. D., and finding them to be the uniform code, they are recommended for approval.

All which is respectfully submitted.

ELLISON L. CRAWFORD,
GEORGE M. HOLTON,
GEORGE C. GRIMES, } Committee.
WILLIAM W. LYMAN,

Which report was concurred in.

Comp. ALEXANDER CAMERON IRWIN, from the Committee on Pay of Delegates, presented the following report:—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California:—

Your committee, to whom was referred the apportionment of the Representative Fund, having performed that duty, would recommend that the following amounts be allowed to the delegates of Chapters who were in attendance on the first day of the Convocation:—

Name and Number of Chapter.	No.	Dues to Rep. Fund.	When Represented.	Am't Allowed.
<i>San Francisco,</i>	1.....	\$192 00....	Paid.....1st day.....	\$6 00
<i>Sonora,</i>	" 2.....	21 00....	Paid.....".....	21 40
<i>Sacramento,</i>	" 3.....	185 00....	Paid.....".....	11 00
<i>California,</i>	" 5.....	236 00....	Paid.....".....	6 00
<i>Nevada,</i>	" 6.....	29 50....	Paid.....".....	20 60
<i>Benicia,</i>	" 7.....	15 50....	Paid.....".....	—
<i>Shasta,</i>	" 9.....	27 00....	Paid.....1st day.....	23 00
<i>Sutler,</i>	" 11.....	21 00....	Paid.....".....	18 70
<i>Merced,</i>	" 12.....	23 00....	Paid.....".....	—
<i>Washington,</i>	" 13.....	60 50....	Paid.....1st day.....	15 20
<i>Howard,</i>	" 14.....	69 00....	Paid.....".....	—
<i>Cyrus,</i>	" 15.....	23 50....	Paid.....1st day.....	31 10
<i>St. James,</i>	" 16.....	19 00....	Paid.....1st day.....	19 40
<i>Libanus,</i>	" 17.....	13 50....	Paid.....".....	—
<i>Grass Valley,</i>	" 18.....	40 50....	Paid.....1st day.....	19 60
<i>Trinity,</i>	" 19.....	15 00....	Paid.....".....	31 30
<i>Franklin,</i>	" 20.....	38 50....	Paid.....".....	18 20
<i>Sierra,</i>	" 21.....	15 50....	Paid.....".....	33 00
<i>Petaluma,</i>	" 22.....	42 75....	Paid.....".....	8 00
<i>Oliver,</i>	" 23.....	—	Paid.....".....	—
<i>La Fayette,</i>	" 24.....	8 00....	Paid.....".....	—
<i>Georgetown,</i>	" 25.....	9 00....	Paid.....".....	—
<i>Delta,</i>	" 27.....	15 00....	Paid.....1st day.....	14 20
<i>Stockton,</i>	" 28.....	52 50....	Paid.....".....	11 00
<i>Manzanita,</i>	" 29.....	25 50....	Paid.....".....	22 50
<i>Napa,</i>	" 30.....	20 50....	Paid.....".....	9 00
<i>Martinez,</i>	" 31.....	24 00....	Paid.....".....	8 00
<i>Los Angeles,</i>	" 33.....	37 50....	Paid.....".....	36 00
<i>Alturas,</i>	" 34.....	11 00....	Paid.....".....	—
<i>Naval,</i>	" 35.....	41 50....	Paid.....1st day.....	8 00
<i>Oakland,</i>	" 36.....	116 50....	Paid.....".....	—
<i>Siloam,</i>	" 37.....	17 00....	Paid.....1st day.....	16 10
<i>Santa Cruz,</i>	" 38.....	20 00....	Paid.....".....	11 60
<i>Donner,</i>	" 39.....	17 50....	Paid.....".....	22 60
<i>Red Bluff,</i>	" 40.....	36 50....	Paid.....".....	18 90
<i>Temple,</i>	" 41.....	20 50....	Paid.....".....	11 60
<i>Chico,</i>	" 42.....	36 00....	Paid.....".....	17 80
<i>Solano,</i>	" 43.....	30 00....	Paid.....".....	9 40
<i>Visalia,</i>	" 44.....	31 00....	Paid.....".....	20 80
<i>Santa Rosa,</i>	" 45.....	60 50....	Paid.....".....	9 00
<i>Woodland,</i>	" 46.....	24 00....	Paid.....".....	—
<i>Lassen,</i>	" 47.....	28 00....	Paid.....1st day.....	38 60
<i>Dixon,</i>	" 48.....	28 00....	Paid.....".....	10 90

Name and Number of Chapter.	Dues to Rep. Fund.	When Represented.	Am't Allowed.
<i>Modesto,</i> No. 49.....	\$23 00....	Paid..... 1st day.....	\$12 20
<i>Ventura,</i> " 50.....	16 00....	Paid..... "	36 00
<i>Corinthian,</i> " 51.....	22 50....	Paid..... "	36 00
<i>Humboldt,</i> " 52.....	46 50....	Paid..... "	26 00
<i>Ukiah,</i> " 53.....	41 50....	Paid..... "	15 00
<i>Keystone,</i> " 56.....	20 00....	Paid..... "	39 80
<i>Signet,</i> " 57.....	110 00....	Paid..... "	36 00
<i>Salinas,</i> " 59.....	36 00....	Paid..... "	12 50
<i>Colusa,</i> " 60.....	17 00....	Paid..... "	16 40
<i>San Diego,</i> " 61.....	43 00....	Paid..... "	46 00
<i>San Luis,</i> " 62.....	38 50....	Paid..... "	20 00
<i>St. Helena,</i> " 63.....	17 00....	Paid..... "	10 10
<i>Acacia,</i> " 64.....	10 00....	Paid..... "	43 00
<i>Antioch,</i> " 65.....	11 00....	Paid..... "	9 00
<i>Doric,</i> " 66.....	13 00....	Paid..... "	8 50
<i>Riverside,</i> " 67.....	27 00....	Paid..... "	39 90
<i>Hollister,</i> " 68.....	13 00....	Paid..... "	11 30
<i>Trigo,</i> " 69.....	40 50....	Paid..... "	17 80
<i>Alameda,</i> " 70.....	23 00....	Paid..... "	
<i>Tulare,</i> " 71.....	17 00....	Paid..... 1st day.....	20 50
<i>Crown,</i> " 72.....	25 50....	Paid..... "	36 40
<i>Orange,</i> U. D.....	13 50....	Paid..... "	38 10
	<u>\$2372 75</u>		<u>\$1109 00</u>

We also recommend that the following amounts be allowed to the Grand Officers in attendance, viz: to the—

Grand High Priest,.....	\$ 6 00	Grand Treasurer,.....	\$6 00
Deputy Grand High Priest,.....	6 00	Grand Chaplain,.....	6 00
Grand King,.....	11 00	Grand Captain of the Host,.....	19 20
Grand Scribe,.....	9 00	Grand Royal Arch Captain,.....	12 20
			<u>\$75 40</u>

Also to—

Chairman of Finance Committee,..	\$14 30	Ianthis Jerome Rolfe,.....	20 60
William Monroe Petrie,.....	14 00	Charles Edwin Gillette,.....	9 00
Isaac Philanson Kincaid,.....	9 00		<u>\$66 90</u>

RECAPITULATION:

Amount allowed Grand Officers,.....	\$ 75 40
Amount allowed to Delegates,.....	1109 00
Amount allowed to members of the Finance Committee,.....	66 90
Total amount of allowance,.....	<u>\$1251 30</u>

All which is respectfully submitted.

THEODORE E. SMITH, A. C. IRWIN, G. A. TUPPER, W. FRANK PIERCE, JEROME BONAPARTE RICHARDSON,	} Committee.
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Which report was concurred in, and the several amounts were ordered paid as recommended.

Comp. THOMAS FLINT, Jr., from the Committee on Finances, presented the following report:—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California:—

Your Committee on Finances beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the reports of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, find them correct in every particular and recommend that they be approved and published with the proceedings.

The official bonds of the Grand Treasurer, in the sum of \$10,000, and of the Grand Secretary, in the sum of \$6,000, were filed with and approved by the M. E. Grand High Priest immediately after the close of the Convocation of 1890, as required by the Constitution of the Grand Chapter.

Your committee recommend the following appropriations for the ensuing year, viz:—

Expenses of Delegates, Convocation of 1891.....	\$1,109 00
“ “ Grand Officers, “ “ “ and Finance Committee.....	142 30
Salary of Grand Secretary.....	1,800 00
“ “ “ Organist.....	25 00
“ “ “ Guard.....	25 00
Printing and binding proceedings for 1891.....	700 00
Contingent expenses of Grand Secretary.....	200 00
Rent of Grand Secretary's office.....	300 00
Expenses of Grand High Priest in visiting subordinate Chapters.....	200 00
Dues to General Grand Chapter.....	47 36
Total.....	\$4,548 66

All which is respectfully submitted.

THOMAS FLINT, JR.,	} Committee.
CHARLES E. GILLETT,	
I. J. ROLFE,	
I. P. KINCAID,	

Which report was concurred in, the recommendations adopted, and the appropriations were ordered as recommended.

The Grand Chapter was then called off until two o'clock this afternoon.

In Grand Chapter.

AFTERNOON SESSION,	}
Wednesday, April 22, A. I. 2421.	

The Grand Chapter was called on at two o'clock, the Grand High Priest presiding.

On motion of Comp. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, the regular order—the installation of Grand Officers—was postponed until the final reports of committees are received and acted upon.

Comp. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, from the Committee on Jurisprudence, made a verbal report on the amendment to the Constitution proposed by Comp. ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD, referring the same back to the Grand Chapter without recommendation.

Comp. JACOB HART NEFF, from the same committee, then moved the adoption of the amendment; and upon calling the roll the proposed amendment having received a majority of two-thirds of all the votes cast, was adopted.

Comp. JACOB HART NEFF offered the following resolution:—

Resolved, That at all future Convocations of this Grand Chapter, no member thereof shall receive his per diem and transportation expenses from the Representative Fund until such Convocation shall have been regularly closed.

Which resolution was unanimously adopted.

Comp. THOMAS FLINT, Jr., from the Committee on Finances, presented the following report:—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California:—

Your Committee on Finances, having had their attention directed to the subject of the official bonds of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, and the giving of the same through some assurance or bond association, offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption:—

Resolved, That the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary be and are hereby authorized and directed to furnish the necessary bonds required by the Constitution through some of the assurance or indemnifying associations organized for that purpose, and that the expense thereof be paid out of the general fund of the Grand Chapter.

All which is respectfully submitted.

THOMAS FLINT, JR.,	} Committee.
WILLIAM M. PETRIE,	
CHARLES E. GILLETT,	
I. J. ROLFE,	

Which report was concurred in, and the resolution adopted.

The Grand High Priest elect announced the following appointments for the ensuing year, viz.:—

Grand Chaplain,.....	Comp. ALFRED THOMAS PERKINS, .. of <i>Alameda</i> ,	No. 70;
Grand Lecturer,.....	" THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL, of <i>Nevada</i> ,	No. 6;
Grand Capt. of the Host,	" ADOLPHUS HEWEL,..... of <i>Modesto</i> ,	No. 49;
Grand Royal Arch Capt.,	" THOMAS FLINT, SR.,..... of <i>Hollister</i> ,	No. 68;
Grand Organist,.....	" SAMUEL DAVID MAYER,..... of <i>California</i> ,	No. 5;
Grand Guard,.....	" JAMES OGLESBY,..... of <i>California</i> ,	No. 5.

The Grand Officers, elected and appointed, were then regularly installed in their respective stations by the M. E. FRANKLIN HENRY DAX, Past Grand High Priest, assisted by M. E. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, Past Grand High Priest, as Master of the Ceremonies.

On motion of Comp. WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE, M. E. FRANKLIN HENRY DAY was requested to sit for his portrait, and the Grand Secretary was instructed to have it placed in the portrait gallery of the Grand Chapter.

The Grand High Priest announced the appointment of the following Standing Committees for the ensuing year :—

On Jurisprudence:

Comp. William Abraham Davies,
" Jacob Hart Neff,
" Henry Hay Knapp,
" Nathan Weston Spaulding,
" Wiley James Tinnin.

On Finances:

Comp. Thomas Flint, Jr.,
" William Monroe Petrie,
" Ianthis Jerome Rolfe,
" Isaac Philanson Kincaid,
" Charles Edwin Gillett,

On Correspondence:

Comp. Thomas Hubbard Caswell,
" Franklin Henry Day,
" Trowbridge Hyer Ward,
" Joseph Bailey Cooke,
" Thompson Wilson Drullard.

The business of the Grand Chapter being all completed, the minutes of the day were read and approved, and the Grand Chapter of California was closed in *Ample form*.

MILTON HILLS MYRICK,

Grand High Priest.

ATTEST :

THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL,

Grand Secretary.

This Mourning Page,

BY ORDER OF THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND CHAPTER OF CALIFORNIA,

IS GIVEN TO THE MEMORY OF

M. E. Adolphus Hollub

Who was born in Bohemia, Empire of Austria, on the twentieth day of September, 1819, and who died in San Francisco, State of California, on the twenty-fifth day of May, 1890.

HE HAD BEEN

Master of San Francisco Lodge, No. 7, F. & A. M.;
High Priest of San Francisco Chapter, No. 1, R. A. M.;
Th. Ill. Master of California Council, No. 2, R. & S. M.

HE HAD ALSO BEEN

Grand Lecturer, and Grand Senior Warden, of the Grand Lodge,
F. & A. M., of California;
Grand Master of the Grand Council, R. & S. M.;

AND

Grand High Priest

OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS
OF CALIFORNIA.

"The good deeds left behind him
Will form a chain to bind him
To us who linger here;
And, oh! the love of knowing
The good he's sown is growing,
And the harvest from his sowing
Increases with each year."

GRAND CHAPTER OF CALIFORNIA.



This Mourning Page.

BY ORDER OF THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND CHAPTER OF CALIFORNIA,

IS GIVEN TO THE MEMORY OF

M.: E.: Alexander Gurdon Abell

Who was born in the City of New York, State of New York, on the twenty-ninth day of June, 1818; and who died in San Francisco, State of California, on the twenty-eighth day of December, 1890.

HE HAD BEEN

Master of California Lodge, No. 1, F. & A. M.; High Priest of California Chapter, No. 5, R. A. M.; Commander of California Commandery, No. 1, K. T.;

AND, AT THE TIME OF HIS DEATH, WAS SERVING HIS THIRTY-FIFTH TERM AS

GRAND SECRETARY

OF THE GRAND LODGE OF F. & A. M. OF CALIFORNIA.

HE HAD ALSO BEEN

Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar,

AND

GRAND HIGH PRIEST

OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CALIFORNIA.

"When such men as he die,
Their places ye may not well supply,
Though ye among thousands try
With vain endeavor."

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In Memoriam.



San Francisco Chapter, No. 1.

Comp. Adolphus Hollub, P. H. P. and P. G. H. P.

May 25, 1890.



Sonora Chapter, No. 2.

Comp. Alvin Bacon Preston, P. H. P.

September 8, 1890.

Comp. Gideon Wing, P. H. P.

August 4, 1890.



Sacramento Chapter, No. 3.

Comp. William Edward Oughton, P. H. P.

May 30, 1890.



California Chapter, No. 5.

Comp. Alexander Gurdon Abell, P. H. P. & P. G. H. P.

December 28, 1890.



Benicia Chapter, No. 7.

Comp. Timothy Sage, P. H. P.

July 4, 1890.

In Memoriam.



Shasta Chapter, No. 9.

Comp. Mortimer Cherberry Allen, P. H. P.

January 19, 1891.



Sutter Chapter, No. 11.

Comp. Samuel Decount Rolla Stewart, P. H. P.

December 2, 1890.



Libanus Chapter, No. 17.

Comp. James Ross, P. H. P.

November 6, 1890.



Franklin Chapter, No. 20.

Comp. Thomas Jarrett Jenkins, P. H. P.

October 16, 1890.



Red Bluff Chapter, No. 40.

Comp. Bruce Benjamin Lee, P. H. P.

October 30, 1890.

In Memoriam.



Chico Chapter, No. 42.

Comp. Charles Lewis Pond, P. H. P.

November 30, 1890.



Woodland Chapter, No. 46.

Comp. Charles Henry Davis, P. H. P.

October 16, 1890.

Comp. Nicholas Wykoff, P. H. P.

April 1, 1890.



Lassen Chapter No. 47.

Comp. Allen Wood, P. H. P.

August 1, 1890.



Signet Chapter, No. 57.

Comp. George Crockett Knox, P. H. P.

June 1, 1890.



Riverside Chapter, No. 67.

Comp. Christopher Columbus Miller, H. P.

February 10, 1890.

AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION,

Adopted in April, 1891.

ARTICLE XVII.

SECTION 5. No Chapter shall confer the degrees for a less sum than *thirty* dollars, and in every case the entire fee shall accompany the petition.

GENERAL REGULATIONS

OF THE

Grand Chapter of California.

1. The degree of Past Master must be conferred upon all candidates, notwithstanding that they may have previously had a degree of that name conferred upon them in a Convocation of Past Masters, by virtue of an election to preside over a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons.

2. All the Chapters under this jurisdiction are required, in the conferring of degrees, to conform to the ritual adopted by the Grand Chapter, at its special Convocation, in September, 1855.

3. Every Mark Master attached to a Chapter under this jurisdiction must, within six months after his admission, select his mark and record the same in a Book of Marks, kept by the Chapter for that purpose; and it is made the special duty of the Secretary of each Chapter to see that this regulation is complied with.

4. The term "nearest Chapter," used in the Constitution, means the nearest by geographical measurement.

5. No Masonic communication shall be held with a Royal Arch Mason who stands suspended as a Master Mason, for any cause.

6. Each Chapter under this jurisdiction shall pay, in addition to its annual dues, the sum of fifty cents for each Royal Arch Mason borne upon its roll at the date of its annual report; which additional assessment shall be used as a fund to defray the actual expenses of transportation of one delegate from each Chapter represented at the Annual Convocations of the Grand Chapter—the same to be apportioned by a special committee appointed for that purpose.

7. Whenever two or more Chapters exist in any city or town within this jurisdiction, it shall be the duty of each of such Chapters to notify the other or others, existing in the same place, of all applications presented to it for the degrees.

8. When, after an election of an applicant to receive the Chapter degrees, and he has received the Mark degree, an objection to his advancement is made at any time by a member, such objection shall be referred to a committee, with power to inquire into the cause thereof, who shall, at the next stated meeting (unless further time be given) report thereon; and upon the reception of said report, if no cause for the objection has been assigned, or if the cause assigned be, in the opinion of two-thirds of the members present, not a valid and Masonic one, the Chapter may confer the degree in the same manner as if no objection had been made.

9. No petition for the degrees, or application for membership, shall be received by any Chapter within this jurisdiction, unless it be signed with the full name or names of the petitioner or applicant; and in the annual reports of subordinate Chapters, the given name or names of every member or others upon their rolls, shall be given in full.

10. The provisions of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of the State of California shall be, in all essential respects, where there is no conflict between it and the Constitution of this Grand Chapter, the rules and regulations by which the action of the subordinate Chapters of this jurisdiction shall be governed.

11. That the use of substitutes shall not be permitted for purposes of rapid advancement, or for accommodation merely, but only when the Council of the Chapter, in the exercise of a sound discretion, shall be satisfied that the good of Royal Arch Masonry will be promoted thereby.

12. That the use of more than one substitute at a time is prohibited, unless the dispensation of the Grand High Priest, permitting such use, be first procured; said dispensation to be issued only for good cause shown, and upon a petition signed by a majority of the Council of the Chapter asking such dispensation.

13. The limit of physical qualifications to be required of a candidate for the degrees conferred by a Royal Arch Chapter under this jurisdiction, shall be, simply, that he be enabled to conform strictly to all which the ritual in those degrees makes necessary.

14. That the restoration to good standing by a Lodge of any companion who has been suspended by it for any cause, and where no action has been had in his case directly by the Chapter, restores him to good standing in the Chapter.

15. From and after the first day of September, 1874, no High Priest of a Chapter under this jurisdiction shall be installed, unless he shall present to the installing officer a certificate from the Grand Lecturer, or some companion known by the Grand Lecturer to be skilled in the work, that he is qualified to properly confer all the Chapter degrees and deliver the lectures thereunto appertaining; and the installing officer shall forward such certificate to the Grand Secretary.

16. That there is no power vested in the Grand High Priest to grant a dispensation to re-ballot on the application of a rejected candidate, that matter being wholly within the province of the Chapter in which he was rejected. (See Sec. 1, Art. XVII, of the Constitution.)

The following is the course of procedure recommended:—

First. That notice in writing be given in stated meeting that the petition of the rejected applicant would be presented at the next regular meeting of the Chapter.

Second. Upon the reading of such notice, the High Priest shall direct the Secretary to notify each and every member of the Chapter of such intended application, and request his presence to vote upon the consideration of the same.

Third. At such subsequent meeting, on a motion formally made to re-submit the petition, if the vote be *unanimous* in favor thereof, the petition can be again received and referred, the same as if no previous action had been taken.

17. That the Chapters subordinate to the jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of California, be directed to require of all visitors for examination from other jurisdictions, prior to admission, a declaration in the following words: "I do not stand suspended or expelled for any cause whatever; neither has my name been stricken from the roll of members for non-payment of dues in my Lodge of Master Masons, or my Chapter of Royal Arch Masons."

18. That it shall be the imperative duty of every Chapter in this jurisdiction, before it shall confer the Royal Arch degree upon any candidate, to require of said candidate a compliance with Regulation No. 3, relative to the selection and recording of his mark.

19. That no Chapter under dispensation in this jurisdiction shall receive a charter unless all the requirements of this Grand Chapter shall have been complied with and such Chapter is free from debt.

20. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of every Chapter in this jurisdiction to report to the Grand Secretary of this Grand Chapter, immediately, all rejections, suspensions, exclusions, expulsions and restorations that may take place in their

several Chapters; and it is hereby made the duty of the Grand Secretary to report to the several Chapters of the jurisdiction, every six months, all such rejections, suspensions, exclusions, expulsions and restorations so reported to him.

21. This Grand Chapter acknowledges no degree of Masonry or order of Knighthood to be legitimate and genuine except those conferred by, or under the authority of, the following regularly constituted Masonic bodies of the United States of America, and those of corresponding rank in foreign countries, to wit:

The Grand Lodges of Free and Accepted Masons of the several States and Territories; the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the United States, and the Grand Chapters of Royal Arch Masons of the States and Territories; the General Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the United States, and the Grand Councils of Royal and Select Masters of the States and Territories; the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States and the Grand Commanderies of the States and Territories; the Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States, of which ALBERT PIKE is Grand Commander; and the Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Jurisdiction of the United States, of which HENRY L. PALMER is Grand Commander.

It is hereby declared that any Royal Arch Mason who shall hereafter take or receive any so-called Masonic degree or order of Knighthood from any man or body of men not hereinbefore acknowledged to be legitimate and genuine, shall be liable to be expelled from all the rights and privileges of a Royal Arch Mason.

It is hereby further declared that any Royal Arch Mason who shall hereafter confer, communicate or sell, or be present at or assist in the conferring, communicating or selling, or solicit any one to take, receive or apply for any so-called Masonic degree or order of Knighthood, in any assemblage of men, no matter by what name soever it may be called, except it be held under the authority of one of the bodies hereinbefore acknowledged to be legitimate and genuine, shall be expelled from all the rights and privileges of a Royal Arch Mason.

22. It shall be the duty of every Royal Arch Mason to be a member of some Chapter; and every non-affiliated Royal Arch Mason who, having resided six months within this State, shall neglect to make application for membership to some Chapter therein, shall be deemed to occupy the same position as those suspended for non-payment of dues, and shall not be entitled to, nor be the recipient of, any of the rights, privileges or benefits of Capitular Masonry.

Non-affiliated Royal Arch Masons who occupy the position referred to in the preceding section, and who desire to restore themselves by affiliation, may do so upon payment of a sum equivalent to six months dues of the Chapter to which they shall apply, in addition to the affiliation fee, if any, required by its by-laws.

23. That the *M. E.* Grand High Priest withhold his approval from all amendments to By-Laws of Chapters, unless the certificate shows that the amendment had received a two-thirds vote of the members present; that notice of such amendment had been given at the meeting preceding that on which the vote was taken; said certificate to be signed by the Secretary and authenticated by the seal of the Chapter.

RULES OF ORDER

OF THE

Grand Chapter of California.

RULE 1. When the Grand Chapter shall have assembled, the Grand Secretary shall call the roll of its members, and if a sufficient number of Chapters are represented, the Grand Chapter shall be opened. The Grand High Priest shall then appoint a Committee on Credentials, and no further business shall be transacted until after its report shall have been received.

RULE 2. After the reception of the Report on Credentials, the proceedings of the preceding Convocation shall be read by the Grand Secretary, unless their reading be dispensed with; the Address of the Grand High Priest, and the reports of the Deputy Grand High Priest, Grand Secretary, and Grand Treasurer, shall be presented, and appropriately referred, in the order here named; and the Grand High Priest shall appoint the regular committees, to whom all papers then in the hands of the Grand Secretary, requiring such reference, shall be at once referred. The Committee on Correspondence shall then present its annual report.

RULE 3. After the business of the Convocation is thus begun, the regular order for each session, during its continuance, shall be as follows:

1. Reading of the minutes of the last session.
2. Report of the Committee on Credentials.
3. Reception and action upon, or reference of, petitions, memorials and appeals.
4. Reports of Regular and Special Committees, and action thereupon.
5. Motions, resolutions, and other business.

RULE 4. All reports submitted, all petitions, memorials, or appeals presented, and all orders, motions, or resolutions, shall be in writing, and shall be read by the Grand Secretary, before any action is taken thereupon.

RULE 5. No motion to reconsider shall be entertained, unless made during the same session when the question proposed to be reconsidered was decided, nor unless such motion be made by one who voted with the majority upon that question.

RULE 6. When a day and hour shall have been named for the election of Grand Officers, such election shall, at that time, take precedence of all other business, unless the Grand Chapter, by a two-thirds vote, shall otherwise direct.

RULE 7. These rules shall only be suspended by unanimous consent, but may at any time be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

RETURNS

OF THE

SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS

UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE

GRAND CHAPTER of CALIFORNIA

A. I. 2421.

SAN FRANCISCO CHAPTER, No. 1.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first and third Mondays in each month.

OFFICERS :

William Harvey Edwards, <i>High Priest</i> ,	William Edmund Price, <i>Pr. Sojourner</i> ,
William Henry Davis, <i>King</i> ,	Albert Cressy, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Charles James King, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Francis Marion Loane, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Joseph Clement, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Paul Boettcher, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Henry Gilman Prince, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Chas. Johnson, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
David Charles Smith, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Edward Gilberts, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests :

Louis Cohn,	Samuel Sternheim,	James Wright Anderson.
Martin John Burke,	Henry Wangenheim,	Thomas Kingsbury Wilson.
John Rudolph Jarboe,	Edward Taylor Anthony,	Edward Wellington Blaney.
Milton Hills Myrick,	Isaac Philanson Kincaid,	Moubray Robert Duudas.
Stewart Menzies,	James Waterman Baldwin,	Milton Sidney Eisner.
Theodore Edward Smith,	Charles Albert Warren,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Ackerman, Sigmund Hart	Arnold, Cyrus Mills	Bayle, John
Adams, Adolph	Aschheim, Israel Julius	Bennett, James Henry
Allen, George Preston	Backus, Samuel Woolsey	Bergson, Ole
Allen, Isaac Patton	Bamburger, Sigmund Simon	Bingham Henry Walker
Allenberg, Charles	Bangs, Edward	Blumenberg, Samuel Purdy
Altshuler, Levi	Barr, Milton Homer	Boole, George
Andrews, Abram	Bass, Thomas Jefferson	Bowman, John Schmerl
Antisell, Wm. Christopher	Bassett, Charles Fallen	Boyd, Colin Macnicol
Armer, Andrew Milton	Baum, Simon	Bradbury, Wm. Blackstone
Armstrong, Rudolph	Bauman, Sigmund	Brandenstein, Meyer

Brandt, Frederick John	Denkilspiel, Joseph Samuel	Goyetta, Joseph
Brandt, Louis	Deuprey, Eugene Nelson	Graham, William Finley
Browell, Jeremiah	Deveny, Peter	Grant, John Thomas
Brown, Andrew	Dimond, William Henry	Green, Adam Treadwell
Brown, David Palmer	Doane, John Osbourne	Greenhood, Hugo Oscar
Brown, George Watson	Doane, Micah	Halstead, William Augustus
Browne, Thomas Henry	Dooley, Edmund Thomas	Hamilton, Robert
Bryan, Charles Henry	Doolittle, Jefferson Ely	Harpst, John
Bell, Franklin Pettingill	Dore, Benjamin	Harris, Benjamin
Bellman, John Henry	Douglass, George Willard	Harris, Elias
Bunker, Henry Chase	Downs, John	Hart, Marcus
Burns, Henry Jameson	Dragomanovich, Spiro S G	Hartley, John Davis
Oaken, Solomon	Drucker, August	Hayes, George Walford
Callundun, Fred'k Pattersen	Dunn, John	Hieater, Amos Calvin
Cameron, John William	Dusenberry, Louis	Herspring, Joseph
Campe, Harry Magnes	Edelman, Charles	Herzo, John
Carlson, Edward	Edwards, Henry	Hewson, James
Carrick, James Ross	Einstein, Morris	Heyman, Gustavus
Cartan, Francis Matthew	Eisenberg, Isidor	Heyneman, Herman
Chambers, Harry Lauden	Elfelt, Joseph	Hillman, John Reuben
Chase, Charles Metaphor	Ellis, Benjamin Franklin	Hoagland, William Cox
Christessen, Martin Aug. C.	Emerson, John Augustus	Hooper, William Burchell
Christiansen, Ernst Wm. C.	English, Leland Garrison	Hopkins, Peter
Clark, George Dickson	Eppinger, Jacob	Hornblower, Frederick Aug
Classen, Adolph Fred. Anton	Esberg, Mendel	Hoyt, Asa A
Classen, Frederick Harry	Ewen, Oliver	Humphreys, George
Clawson, Leonard Edwin	Ewer, Warren Baxter	Hunt, Henry Brown
Clingman, George Evans	Fenn, John Henry	Hunt, John Henry
Clunie, Thomas Jefferson	Ferris, Crawford	Iverson, Niels
Coblentz, Felix	Fisher, Henry	Jackson, David Bonard
Code, James Arthur	Fisher, Henry James	Jacobs, Isidor
Code, Philip D	Fisher, Oscar	Jennings, Charles Brooks
Cohen, Joseph	Fogel, George	Jennings, Edward
Cohen, Philip	Foorman, Samuel	Johnson, James Halvor
Cohen, Simon	Foster, Samuel	Jones, George Edward
Cohn, Gabriel	Fox, Otto	Jones, Harrison
Connelly, James Edward	Frank, Emanuel Max	Jones, Harrison Alexander
Conrad, John George	Frank, George Washington	Jones, Hugh Pritchard
Cooper, William	Fraser, John P	Jones, Martin
Crocker, Henry Joseph	Fried, Ignatius S	Jones, William
Cronan, William	Friedberg, Morris Salamen	Juda, Morris
Crowley, Timothy Jay	Fuller, Andrew Henry	Kenitzer, Henry
Culver, James Henry	Gallagher, Edward M	Kerr, David
Curry, John	Gallagher, John Patrick	Kerr, James Patterson
Curry, Nathaniel	Garratt, James Hylan	Kirkpatrick, Thomas
Cutting, John Tyler	Getz, Bernhard	Kispert, Charles Frank
Daneri, Antonio	Getz, Joseph	Kohn, Isaack
Daniel, John	Getz, Louis	Korts, George Daniel
Daniels, William Lyon	Getz, Marcus	Kroscher, Hugo Julius
Darling, George Louis	Getz, Solomon	Lachman, Albert
Davis, Charles Lott	Gilmore, John Henry	Lauden, Martin Kuttner
Davis, Henry Laurens	Goldberg, Jacob	Lengfeld, Abraham Lewis
Davis, John Warner	Goldstein, Simon	Leviston, George
Day, Robert	Gordon, James Edward	Levy, Felix Nathan

RESTORED :

Pearson, Henry Havan—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Gray, Henry—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Behrend, Gustave Albert	Jacoby, August	White, Jonathan Lloyd
Blankenstein, Henry	Langrehr, Henry Christian	Wurkheim, Morris—8.
Hall, John Chase	Saalberg, William	

EXCLUDED :

Haswell, Charles Hains, Jr.

Von Aspen, John—2.

DIED :

Behrendt, Herman	Hawley, Charles Augustus	Kohlman, Solomon
Franz, Bernhard	Hollub, Adolphus	Porter, William Handy—8.
Frapolli, Battista	Jennings, James Hazelton	

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....	383	Withdrawn.....	1
Exalted.....	18	Susp. for non-payment of dues...	8
Affiliated.....	1	Excluded.....	2
Restored.....	1—403.	Died.....	8
		Now borne upon the roll.....	384—403.

SONORA CHAPTER, No. 2.**Sonora, Tuolumne County.***Stated Meetings, Wednesday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

Eduard Kell, <i>High Priest,</i>	Alonzo Colby, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
William Gustav Rudorff, <i>King,</i>	James Edgar Requa, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Charles Edward Lang, <i>Scribe,</i>	Archibald Patterson, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
John Mundorf, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Thomas Washing'n Wells, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Thomas Arthur Stiles Hender, <i>Secretary,</i>	Charles Henry Burden, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Joseph Moore Hampton, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Samuel Leon, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

William David Newton,	James Bell,	William Giles Long,
Stephen Wing,	Solomon Benas,	Eduard Kell.
Edwin Aldrich Rodgers,	Alonzo Colby,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS :

Bacon, Martin	Eichelroth, William Egidius	Rooney, Francis John
Barlow, Abraham	Foesterling, Louis, Jr.	Sharwood, William
Bence, Adolphus	Johnson, Andrew Porter	Street, Frank Wilson
Byrd, Francis Jahew	Mathews, James	Street, Charles Edward
Calhoun, Henry Clay	Means, Andrew Jackson	Vial, John
Carter, John Beach	Mitchell, Frederick Francis	Wade, Charles Frederick
Cooley, John	Mock, Benjamin	West, John Henry
Divoll, James George	Parsons, Edmond	Yancey, Tryon Milton—42.

RETURNS OF THE SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS

WITHDRAWN :

Bach, William Francis—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Collins, John

McCulloch, Isaac Newton—2.

DIED:

Bush, George Carroll

Preston, Alvin Bacon

Wing, Gideon—3.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report	45	Withdrawn.....	1
Exalted	3—48.	Susp. for non-payment of dues.....	2
		Died.....	3
		Now borne upon the roll..	42—48.

SACRAMENTO CHAPTER, No. 3.

Sacramento, Sacramento County.

Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Richard Palmer Burr, <i>High Priest</i> ,	William Hedges Baldwin, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
Jacob Hyman, Jr., <i>King</i> ,	Preston Lodwic Lykins, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
John Hurley, <i>Scribe</i> ,	David Harris, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Edward Lyon, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Hewson Davis, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Edwin Glover, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Edward Sutherland Rego, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
William Buckley Davis, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	George Frederick Bronner, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

William Franklin Knox,	Alfred Augustus Bedington,	Bufus Burnham Harmon,
Powell Samuel Lawson,	Cornelius Kellogg,	John William Rock,
Wm. Mon. Petrie, <i>P. G. H. P.</i> ,	Joseph Davey,	Creed Haymond,
William Buckley Davis,	Alexander John Gardiner,	Thomas Cross Pockman.
Charles Mortimer Cogan,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Abbott, Augustus	Bittancourt, Thomas Maria	Carroll, Edgar Barclay
Acock, Thomas Lafayette	Bliss, Sidney	Carroll, Harry Winans
Adams, Oliver Miller	Block, Maurice	Caswell, William Averill
Alexander, Benj. Franklin	Boyd, John Walter	Champlin, Nelson
Allen, John Francis	Bragg, Henry William	Chapman, Bernard Henry
Allen, Robert	Braun, August	Chapman, George Warren
Alltucker, Henry	Briggs, William Ellery	Christy, Edward
Andrews, Adam	Brown, Byron Bradley	Church, William Smithers
Andrews, John Nichols	Brown, Jay Rosbell	Clark, Jerome Franklin
Arrasmith, Vernon	Bugbey, Benjamin Norton	Cluness, William Robert
Atkinson, Edmund Clement	Barnett, Augustus	Cochrane, William
Ball, Charles Henry	Burnham, James Henry	Cohn, Edward Francis
Barrett, Isaac Thomas	Butler, Stephen William	Conaway, George Winfield
Bartels, William	Calderwood, Job Francis	Cook, Hiram
Bergevin, Nelson Langevin	Carey, John Thomas	Coolidge, Isaac Baldwin

Cothrin, William Kip	Hammond, Edwin	McArthur, John
Crocker, Henry Smith	Harper, Thomas	McConnell, Thomas
Crofton, John	Haskell, Dudley Haines	McCormack, Charles
Croly, Edward James	Hatch, James Darrow	McKay, Daniel
Crouch, Eugene Ackley	Hatch, Wilbur Mark	McKee, Edward Hervey
Cunningham, John Austin	Hawk, Elbridge Lafayette	McKee, James Anderson
Curtis, Nathaniel Greene	Hawkins, William	McLaughlin, William
Dale, Richard	Heilbron, Adolph	Meister, August
Davis, Jacob Zeigler	Heilbron, Henry August	Menke, Anton
Davis, James Gilliland	Hersog, Philip	Merrill, John Francis
Decker, Horace Washington	Hevener, William Henry	Meserve, John Gideon
Dennerly, Alphonse	Hickey, William Edward	Miller, Peter Andrew
Denson, Samuel Crawford	Hillier, Theodore	Miller, William Buchanan
Dierksen, Geo. Ernest Aug't	Hoag, William Moffit	Mills, James Edgar
Dixon, William Henry	Hollister, Dwight	Montgomery, George
Domingos, John	Holmes, Henry T	Moore, Robert H
Dresher, Valentine	Hoover, Benjamin VanZandt	Moore, Seth Beardale
Drew, Nathaniel Lafayette	Hopkins, Edwin Carmi	Mouser, Silas Mercer
Dunn, George	Howell, Sidney Algernon	Nathan, Samuel
Dwyer, Michael	Hubbard, Cyrus Hayden	Nelson, Clarence Newton
Ecklon, Christian Ludwig	Hubbs, Anthony	Neusbaum, Abraham B O
Eilers, Theodore George	Huggins, Henri Tyler	Nevis, Manuel Silva
Fay, Newton Murray	Hull, Joseph	Nichols, Arthur Lambard
Ferriter, Thomas	Hyman, Daniel	Ochsner, John
Flye, Bernard Wilmot	Hyman, Jacob, Sr.	Odell, Merrill Francis
Flye, Charles Elen	Iagan, Hans Bernard Wm.	Olsen, Jens Romeo
Forbes, Robert	Ingham, Harry	O'Neil, James
Foster, James Stewart	Inwalle, John Joseph	Pacheco, Romualdo
Fox, Thomas	Irvine, Richard Outrer	Parsons, Charles Robert
Foye, Wm. Robinson Smith	Irvine, William John	Payne, Jeremiah Newton
Frank, Samuel	Jackson, William Franklin	Peck, Nelson Stanley
Fraser, Henry Carpenter	Jacobs, Louis	Perkins, William Dana
Frost, Amos Locke	Jenkins, Charles Asberry	Peterson, Wm. Frederick
Gallatin, Albert	Johnson, Julian Workman	Phillips, George
George, Wilbur Forest	Johnston, William	Phillips, Louis
Gerber, William Emil	Jones, Edward Augustus	Pike, John Elias Tucker
Gerson, Samuel	Jones, William Rowland	Porter, James Nichols
Gett, William Andrew, Jr.	Just, John Peter	Porter, Clive William
Gillis, Dougald	Knighte, William Durrant	Putnam, George Alford
Gorth, Michael	Knighte, William Budd	Railton, George William
Gottlieb, Samuel	Krebs, Charles Henry	Rath, Elias
Green, Peter B	Lambert, Frank Elis	Reseguie, James Gleason
Gregg, George	La Rue, Hugh McElroy	Richards, John
Gregory, Eugene Julius	Lavenson, Samuel	Roberts, John Henry
Gregory, Frank	Levison, Jacob	Robinson, Robert
Gruhler, John	Levy, Edward Roger	Rohrer, Frederick William
Guthrie, John William	Lewis, Samuel Amanzo	Ranyon, Solomon
Hale, Evert Wilburn	Lightner, Bonus	Sawyer, James Canney
Hale, Marsha'l, Jr.	Little, Christopher	Schroth, John George
Hale, Prentiss Cobb	Littlefield, Lewis Bateman	Scott, Lemuel Pervine
Hall, Thomas Bertram	Locke, George Washington	Scott, Thomas James
Hamilton, William Brown	Lufkins, Harry Tileston	Sheldon, William Chauncey
Hammer, Mosheim Schm'r	McAlister, Adam Armstrong	Sindelar, Joseph

RETURNS OF THE SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS

Smith, Benjamin	Tubbs, John Charles	White, George Amos
Smith, Frank Augustus	Tufts, Albert Currier	Wilcoxon, Jefferson
Smith, Thomas	Ulp, Alfred	Wilder, Joel Osgood
Stanley, Leander	Van Fleet, William Carey	Willard, David Wright
Stanton, Perrin	Van Voorhies, Albert Alex.	Willis, Evander Berry
Steinman, Bernhard Ulmer	Vermilya, Abram John	Willis, William Ladd
Steinmeyer, Fred'k Wilhelm	Wachhorst, Herman	Wilson, Jesse Warren
Stevens, Charles Henry	Wallace, Campbell William	Witham, Gilbert Tapley
Stevenson, Henry Llewellyn	Wallquist, Carl Johan	Woodburn, Charles Gabriel
Stober, Frederick Conrad	Waterhouse, Columbus	Woodburn, James
Sutleff, Levi Beardale	Webster, Samuel Excelator	Wood, William
Taverner, George	Welch, Benjamin	Wright, John Bascom
Taverner, Thomas Moore	Welch, Geo. Drake	Yoerk, August Charles
Todd, John William	West, Daniel	Young, John Nellis—270.

MOST EXCELLENT MASTER:

Steffens, Joseph—1.

RESTORED:

Sutleff, Levi Beardale—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Parsons, Everitt Curtis
Fleming, Frank

Goldberg, Harris

Oyer, Philip—4.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Annis, Alexander Greene	Griffiths, John T	Smith, Joshua Hughes
Barrett, John	Mead, Albert Almont	Steinman, Elias Uhlmer
Berkey, Thomas Henry	Miller, Henry Leland	Talbot, John—10.
Fraser, Robert Smith		

EXCLUDED:

Bragg, Albert Leander	Van Kirk, John Clarendont	Palmer, Asa John Wood—5.
Miller, John Henry	Willey, Henry Ide	

DIED:

Dixon, Michael Septimus	Oughton, William Edward	Gonnett, Adrian Antoine—4.
Hoehn, Jacob		

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report....	287	Withdrawn....	4
Affiliated.....	4	Susp. for non-payment of dues...	10
Restored.....	2—293.	Excluded.....	5
		Died.....	4
		Now borne upon the roll.....	270—293.

CALIFORNIA CHAPTER, No. 5.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first and third Tuesdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

Henry Ascroft, <i>High Priest,</i>	Joseph Gardner Baston, <i>Pr. Sojourner,</i>
George Dietterle, <i>King,</i>	James Holroyd Humphreys, <i>R. A. Capt.,</i>
Charles William Decker, <i>Scribe,</i>	Charles Winslow Iredale, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Hiram Throop Graves, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Walter Edward Lucas, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
George Johnson, <i>Secretary,</i>	Mathias Johnson, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Robert Ash, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Samuel David Mayer, <i>Organist,</i>
	James Oglesby, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Reuben Edgar Raymond,
William Henry Lyon,
Hiram Throop Graves,
Alfred Cooledge Waltt,
Joseph Miller Litchfield,
John Elbridge Purdy,
Abraham Halsey,
Franklin Henry Day,
Isaac Stanwood Locke,

David Pugh Marshall,
Edward Potter Cressey,
Charles Lewis Patton,
John Kirkpatrick, *P. G. H. P.*,
Thomas Kyle,
Albert Frederick Knorp,
William Abraham Davies, *P. G. H. P.*,
Isaac Sutvene Titus, *P. G. H. P.*

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Adams, Joseph Willard	Brown, Henry Adams	Dall, Peter Peterson
Allen, William Alvord	Brown, Tom Adamson	Dalton, Franklin
Ames, Frank Holmes	Brown, William Anderson	Dalton, Thomas Benton
Anderson, Isaac	Brown, William Graham	Daniell, William Henry
Anderson, Winslow	Browning, Jeremiah	Davis, Winfield Scott
Armstrong, George Robert	Bruns, Henry Frederick	Dean, Peter
Atkinson, Thos. Thompson	Buckingham, Aurelius E.	De Witt, Thomas Byron
Baker, Charles Henry	Buffington, John Mason	Dickinson, John Henry
Baldwin, Alfred Walton	Burns, Henry Bernard	Dinsmore, Robert
Baldwin, Sherman Charles	Burtis, Robert Wallace	Dodd, Willis Gorman
Band, Henry Frederick	Oallahan, Charles	Dorn, Marcellus Americus
Bandman, Charles Julius	Callinan, William	Doud, Aaron
Barclay, Peter Thomas	Campbell, Robert	Dougherty, Charles Medley
Barclay, Robert Henry	Campbell, Walter Chauncey	Dowling, Thomas Henry
Barnes, Wm. Henry Linow	Carr, John George	Driffeld, Vero Carus
Barnhiser, Epenetus Ro'g's	Castle, Stephen	Duboce, Victor Douglaime
Barrows, Charles Dana	Center, John	Duncan, Benjamin Beatty
Bauer, John Christian	Center, William	Dunn, James
Baum, David Andrew	Chapin, Dinamore Davis	Eagleson, John Geddes
Benedict, Courtland Smith	Ohesley, Charles Palmer	Earl, John Ogden
Benson, John Adelbert	Childs, George	Earle, Henry Halford
Berryman, Henry Burpee	Christian, Ceasar	Earle, Slade Anthony
Binge, Theo. Christoph Dan'l	Clark, John Franklin	Easton, Ansel Mills
Birch, William Henry	Clifford, James Benjamin	Easton, Wendell
Black, Howard	Cockrill, Theo. Guevara	Eckart, William Roberts
Blake, Charles Edward	Ooggawell, James Lafayette	Eddy, Richard A
Blake, Edward Presbrey	Cole, Edward Pleasant	Ede, William
Blaser, John Christian	Cole, Richard Beverly	Edgar, Dan Joseph
Blossom, Henry Eckford	Coleman, Carlton Chinn	Edmondson, John George
Bone, Charles	Coleman, William Warren	Edwards, William
Booth, Andrew George	Conway, George	Ehle, Hiram Bauber
Boyes, James	Cox, Alexander Middleton	Eklund, John Peter
Bragg, Frank	Cox, Henry	Elliot, Charles Emery
Bragg, Robert	Cox, Palmer	Eatee, Morris March
Briedenbach, Emile Henry	Crane, Byron Grandy	Evans, Joseph John
Breon, Paul	Crim, William Henry	Ewell, Luther Jerome
Bridge, William Edward	Crocker, Calvin Harlow	Fargo, Earl Alexander
Brigham, Calvin Oaks	Crocker, Charles Frederic	Fargo, Jerome Bonaparte
Brinckerhoff, Harman	Crocker, William Henry	Fickett, James Everett
Brittan, Nathaniel Jones	Cummings, Henry Addison	Field, Alfred Bishop
Bromley, George Tisdale	Cummings, Walter Bailey	Fielding, Samuel Marion
Brown, Charles Frederick	Curtis, John Morrison	Finck, Julius

Firth, Joseph Kirk	Heinlen, Goethe Augustus	King, Joseph Libbey
Fisher, George Augustine	Hemstreet, Albert David	Kinne, Charles Mason
Fiske, Henry Mortimer	Heuer, William Henry	Kinsey, Kerst
Fiske, William Henry	Highton, Henry Edward	Knight, Edmund Ewell
Fitzgerald, William Thomas	Hildebrandt, Carsten	Knight, George Alexander
Flint, Brilsford Pease	Hobbs, John Kimble Carl'n	Knipe, Thomas John
Fonda, William Middleton	Hodgdon, James Peverly	Kohler, Henry
Fonda, William Thomas	Hoffman, Henry Nathaniel	Kreig, Anton
Foster, Arthur William	Hopkins, Timothy	Kron, Oscar Jacob
French, Frank James	Horton, Thomas Rotch	Landers, John
Frolich, Theodore	Hosmer, John Allen	Lane, William Edmund
Frost, Eugene	Hotelling, Anson Parsons	Lane, William
Gabbs, Albert Step. Isaiah	Howard, Charles Selby	Lawson, Andrew
Garratt, Benjamin Franklin	Howard, Horace Zerah	Leydecker, Theo. William
Gilson, John	Howe, George Washington	Lick, James William
Gilmore, Archibald Neill	Howes, Cyrus Pierce	Little, George Edward
Girvin, James William	Hubbard, Henry Calvin	Little, William Tell
Godley, Montgomery	Hubbard, Thomas Jay	Lloyd, Reuben Hedley
Goodban, Francis Edward	Hurlbut, Reuben Preston	Lockwood, Thomas
Goodman, Theodore Henry	Hutchinson, Ely Israel	Logan, Milburn Hill
Goud, George Lamb	Jackson, Alden W	Long, John Thomas
Grade, William Adolph	Jacobs, Albert	Lowell, Albert Carroll
Graham, Thomas Gardiner	Jaynes, Frank	Lucas, John William
Grant, Thos. Chamberlain	Jeffers, Milo Sidney	Lundquist, Edward Charles
Grauerholz, Henry John	Jeffray, William	Lutz, William Edward
Graves, Charles Henry	Jellison, Benjamin Franklin	Lux, Frank Antoin
Green, Charles Ernest	Jenks, George Washington	Lyman, Charles
Greenwood, Monroe	Jewett, Philo Dennis	Macdonald, William
Grey, John Thomas	Johnson, Albert de M'fredy	Maddox, Cabel Harrison
Griffin, John Wesley	Johnson, John Munroe	Maguire, Michael Edward
Griffith, John Bernth	Jones, Charles Le Barron	Mann, Azro Levi
Griffiths, Thomas Hamlyn	Jones, Cyrus Winship	Martin, Alexander
Gronetta, Martin	Jones, Edward Thomas	Martin, Minor Elias
Gunn, Benjamin McKay	Jones, John Richard	Marye, George Thomas
Hager, George	Jones, William	Mathews, Henry Edward
Hall, Robert	Jones, William Arthur	Mathews, William
Halstead, James La Fayette	Jost, Charles	Mathewson, John
Hamilton, Hiram Milton	Jost, Charles, Jr.	McAfee, William Adam
Hammond, Andrew Benoni	Jost, Joseph	McCarty, James
Hammond, John	Jost, William Rheinhard	McClure, Stewart
Hammond, Rich'd Pindell, Jr.	Judd, Garritt Pitt	McComb, John
Hammond, Samuel Chester	Kellogg, Frank Harvey	McConnell, Chalmers New'n
Hansen, Carl Christian A.	Kelly, Robert Gabriel	McCullough, H. Van Schaick
Hanson, Edw'd Henscheldey	Kendrick, Colin, Jr.	McGann, Patrick Henry
Harney, William	Kennedy, Frank	McGeorge, William Connolly
Hart, Wm. Henry Harrison	Kennedy, John Fitzmaurice	McKeon, John
Hartshorne, Benj. Minton	Kenney, Augustus Reid	McLane, George Milligan
Haskell, Charles Lyman	Kenyon, Curtis George	McMillan, Robert
Hatch, James Henry	Kern, Morris James	McNee, Alexander
Hatch, Theodore Henry	Keyser, Paul	McNee, John Hunter
Hauxhurst, Samuel Weeks	Kimball, Moses Coombe	McNutt, William Frederick
Heald, Edward Payson	Kincaid, John Evans	Meigs, Anson Woodman
Hedley, John	King, Henry Lewis	Ments, John Henry

Merrill, George Whitney	Porter, Thomas Alexander	Steiger, Charles Rudolph
Merry, William Lawrence	Preston, Edgar Frank	Steiner, Nicholas
Meston, Robert	Price, Arthur Faraday	Stevens, William Emerson
Mills, Edward Tyrrell Bisset	Price, Thomas	Stringer, William James
Montague, Wilford Weed	Prior, John Lewis	Sumner, Frank William
Montalegre, Carlos Franc'o	Ralston, William Chapman	Swain, Edward Robinson
Moore, Andrew	Ramage, Walter James	Swenson, John Augustus
Moore, Arthur Weld	Ramsden, Charles Hamilton	Swift, James Flitcroft
Moore, Elliott Josiah	Reeder, John	Taber, Jacob Spooner
Moore, Robert S	Reese, Evan Leander	Tait, William Cave
Morfew, Thomas	Reynolds, Frank Augustus	Taylor, George McOllan
Morgan, Charles Augustus	Rice, Frank Scott	Taylor, John Brinkworth
Morgan, David	Riordan, Thomas Daniel	Thompson, George Howard
Morgan, John Stillwell	Robertson, John Worcester	Thomson, Thomas
Morrow, William W	Robertson, Wm. Alexander	Thornhill, Samuel Kennedy
Muller, John	Rodgers, Arthur	Thrall, Henry Homer
Murdock, George Leonard	Ross, Donald	Tierney, Charles Henry
Nagle, George Dedrich	Rugg, Amos Uriah	Tonningsen, John
Nash, Charles	Rugg, Joseph Percival	Tozer, Charles Warren
Neal, Charles Sanders	Rundell, William Mason	Vail, Akin Hiller
Neal, George Folger	Russ, Henry Beauchamp	Vance, George Prescott
Nelson, William Hervey	Russell, John Adams	Vanderslice, Wm. Keyser
Newhall, Edwin White	Russell, Monson	Van Duzer, Oliver
Newhall, Harry Gregory	Ryan, Michael	Veen, Frank Joseph
Nixon, James Henry	Sabin, John Ira	Von Schmidt, Alexey Wal'r
Noonen, John	Salsbury, Charles	Von Staden, George
Norcross, Daniel	Salsbury, Warren Higgins	Wadsworth, James C. Luke
North, George Loomis	Sanborn, William David	Wagner, John
O'Brien, Thomas V	Schmidt, Valentine	Walker, James Greig
Okell, Charles John	Schreiber, Martin Aug. Wm.	Walsh, George Charles
Osborn, Lamartine	Scott, Ebenezer	Warburton, Samuel
Osborn, Robert Folger	Scott, Thomas William	Ward, William
Otersen, Herman	Segesser, John Ulrich	Ward, William Braddon
Owen, Hugh James	Seibel, Philipp	Warren, Joseph Maxwell
Parish, Mark	Seymour, Simon Harry	Warwick, James Blain
Parker, Edward Fletcher	Shattuck, David Dustin	Waterhouse, Fred. Adelbert
Parmelee, James Edward	Shoobert, John Edmund	Waters, George Latham
Parson, Edward	Shortt, Lawr'ce Hartshorne	Weed, Merritt Herman
Partridge, Charles	Simpson, James	Wells, Asa Reynolds
Partridge, Edward Briggs	Skivington, John Franklin	Wells, William
Patterson, Alex. Van Rens'r	Slack, Charles William	Wheaton, Milton Alverd
Payne, Warren Ritch	Smith, Francis	White, Lovell
Pearce, George Frank	Smith, Harry Burt, Jr.	Whitham, John Hastings
Peck, John Henry Fenton	Smith, James Jerome	Whitney, Calvin Eastman
Peckham, William Henry	Smith, William Frederick	Wilms, Stephen Caleb
Peel, Jonathan Morfew	Smith, William Jacob	Wilson, William Archibald
Periam, Charles James	Sowers, Frederick	Woodlock, John
Perley, Albion Starbird	Spear, Gustavus Langford	Wright, Charles William
Peterson, Arthur Simison	Spear, Lewis Eugene	Wright, Cyrus Smith
Phillips, Nathan Fraser	Stadtfeld, Jacob	York, William
Phillips, William Rippard	Stafford, William Gardner	Young, Shirley Trevor
Pitchford, John Benjamin	Starbird, Albion Wilson	Younger, William John—472.
Plum, Charles Mortimer	Stark, William Alexander	

MARK MASTERS:

Anthony, Edward Augustus Turner, James Frederick Watkins, Alonso Augustus
 Latson, Francis Palmer

—4.

RESTORED:

Burns, Henry Bernhard Scott, Thomas William—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Forse, George Haynes Martinez, Fran's Nich. Raoul—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Spencer, Lowell Brown—1.

DIED:

Abell, Alexander Gurdon Burges, Tristram McMath, Joseph
 Armstrong, Robt. Bleakley Fleming, Socrates Oatlin Mills, Warren French
 Bacon, Joseph Snowden Hartley, John Wm. Fletcher Smith, Edwin Lawrence—9.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	448	Withdrawn.....	2
Exalted.....	27	Susp. for non-payment of dues...	1
Affiliated.....	7	Died.....	9
Restored	2—484.	Now borne upon the roll... ..	472—484.

NEVADA CHAPTER, No. 6.

Nevada, Nevada County.

Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Edward Myers Preston, <i>High Priest</i> ,	David Eddy Morgan, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
William Floyd, <i>King</i> ,	William Barton, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
George Lovett Hughes, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Kaskil Casper, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
John Thomas Morgan, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	George Cook Gaylord, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Ianthis Jerome Rolfe, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Fred Searls, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Edward Sam'l Edwards, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	Antonio Tam, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Thos. H. Caswell, <i>P. G. H. P.</i> ,	Halstead Stansfield,	Joseph Thomas,
Thomas Mein,	Kaskil Casper,	William Barker.
Ianthis Jerome Rolfe,	Martin Luther Marsh,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Barrett, Charles Augustus	Crandall, Orman	Hale, Horace
Bernardo, Manoel Jozeph	Curnow, Robert	Hampton, Elisha
Bridges, Edwin David	Ennis, Franklin	Hanley, William A
Brown, John Earl	Evans, John	Holland, Jacob La Fayette
Buffington, John Mason, Jr.	Fleming, Jos. Davenport	Holmer, William
Chapman, Lucius Homer	Folene, Antone	Kendrick, Levi Jackson
Clemo, William	Goodwin, Jeremiah Samuel	Long, William David

Marsh, Daniel	Robbins, John Truthan	Tellam, Frederick
McBean, John	Rose, David	Tilley, Edwin
McBrown, John	Rose, James	Tompkins, Edward Alex.
Montgomery, John	Searis, Niles	Tower, Alonzo Douglas
Pease, Sanford Orrin	Shaw, George Crawford	White, James ^C
Reid, James	Siddles, Milan Burchard	Williamson, Levi—59.
Richards, William Gilbert	Stowers, Nathaniel Henry	

WITHDRAWN:

Brown, Jacob Perkins—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report60. Withdrawn..... 1
 Now borne upon the roll.....59—60.

BENICIA CHAPTER, No. 7.

Benicia, Solano County.

Stated Meetings, second and fourth Wednesdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

Allan Page Sanborn, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Arthur Herbert MacLachlan, <i>Pr. Sojour.</i> ,
Joseph Green Johnson, <i>King</i> ,	Alvin Stone Parritt, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
George Richard Duval, <i>Scribe</i> ,	James Ambrose Smith, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Charles King, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Simon Johnston, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
James Buchanan McKenzie, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Elijah Morton, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Morgan Williams, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Samuel John Filer, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

George Poor.

Thomas McKay.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Bryant, William Henry	Kelly, John William	Mounce, John
Orooks, John Edwin	McArthur, Murdock	Reugar, John
Danforth, Edwin	McKay, William	Scharfenberger, John
Fleming, George	Mizner, Lansing Bond	Trumbull, Charles William
Foreman, William Hubbard	Montgomery, Thos. Bailey	Weinman, Louis—31.
Hahn, Henry Casper	Moore, William Louis	

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Campbell, William Robert—1.

DIED:

Sage, Timothy—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report33. Susp. for non-payment of dues..... 1
 Died..... 1
 Now borne upon the roll.....31—33.

SHASTA CHAPTER, No. 9.

Shasta, Shasta County.

Stated Meeting second and fourth Tuesdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

Morris Mehon, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Albert Frederick Ross, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
John Sale Strode, <i>King</i> ,	Arnold Charles Dolde, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i>
Thomas Greene, <i>Scribe</i> ,	George Howard Sechrist, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
William Alex. Boswell, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Gunther Chas. F. Schroter, <i>Mas. 2d Vail</i> ,
Daniel Potter Bystle, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John William Garden, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Elijah Mason Dixon, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Wilhelm Kellner, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Adolph Dobrowsky,	Joseph Weil,	Elijah Mason Dixon.
Daniel Potter Bystle,	Clay Webster Taylor,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Andrew, William	Martin, Rufus Franklin	Shearin, Daniel Thomas
Andrews, Alex. Robertson	Mitchell, Marshall Alex.	Shuffleton, Hugh Hall
Averill, George Warren	McDonald, Luke	Smith, Albert Ferdinand
Bedford, James Franklin	McKean, William Pearce	Smith, Thomas Burton
Cutter, Harry Bill	Nichols, James Levin	Souter, John
Dryman, James Angus	Overmeyer, Charles Edwin	Sweeny, Edward
Hopping, William Ely	Reagan, James	Syme, John
Huester, Louis Frederick	Recardo, John D	Thatcher, Geo. Washington
Herzinger, John	Reynolds, John Edward	Weil, David
Hull, Sylvester	Ross, Herman Frederick	Weil, Sigmund
Herron, Matthew Wilkes	Scammon, James Freeman	Wimmer, James Moses
Leiter, Alexander	Scott, John Varner	Winsell, James Fletcher
Martin, Edward Armstead	Shanahan, Thad. Wilson Huff	Witherow, Samuel Newton

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PAST MASTER:

Lodge, Robert James—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Anderson, Charles—1.

DIED:

Allen, Mortimer Cherberry
Guptill, William Neal

Foster, David

Lord, Ulysses Richard—4.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report	52	Susp. for non-payment of dues.....	1
Exalted.....	6	Died.....	4
Admitted.....	1—59.	Now borne upon the roll.....	54—59.

SUTTER CHAPTER, No. 11.**Sutter Creek, Amador County.***Stated Meetings, third Friday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Edward Converse Voorhies, <i>High Priest,</i>	Robert Pope, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
Morris Brinn, <i>King,</i>	Louis Katz, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
William Henry Gunsolus, <i>Scribe,</i>	Robert Redpath, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
George Allen, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Isaac Newton Templeton, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Victor Pacific Yelmini, <i>Secretary,</i>	Thos. Williams Trudgen, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
John McDougill Post, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	John Jelmini, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Alvinza Hayward,	John Lithgow,	Robert Redpath,
John Whitten Surface,	John McDougill Post,	Wallace Kay.
Robert Aitken,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Bell, William	Jennings, William	Robinson, Robert
Bennetts, William Arthur	Marchant, John	Steinberger, John Adams
Clute, Peter Alonzo	Millikan, Jesse	Surface, Jacob
Cooledge, Walter Scott	Minear, John Ingersoll	Surface, James Philip
Frates, Frank	Ould, John	Sutherland, George
Hall, Henry Frank	Ower, Hugh Owens	Tregloan, John Roger
Howard, Francis Augustus	Patterson, David Anderson	Voorhies, Frank Arthur
Harvey, William James	Richardson, Lorenzo C.	Whitelach, Daniel Henry
Isaacs, Bernhard		

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PAST MASTER:

Perkins, John Dabney—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Davies, David Thomas—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Stewart, James Franklin—1.

DIED:

Stewart, Samuel Deount Rolla—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....39	Withdrawn..... 1
Exalted..... 5	Susp. for non-payment of dues..... 1
Restored..... 1—45.	Died..... 1
	Now borne upon the roll.....42—45.

MERCED CHAPTER, No. 12.**Merced, Merced County.***Stated Meetings, second and fourth Wednesdays in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Albert Pitzer, <i>High Priest,</i>	William Lewis Silman, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
John Henry Simonson, <i>King,</i>	Charles Simon, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Robert Gracey, <i>Scribe,</i>	Edward Stephen O'Brien, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Carter Landram, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Adolph Jacob Zirker, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
James Leonard, <i>Secretary,</i>	Ebenezer Maxwell Stoddard, <i>Master 1st V.,</i>
Aaron Badt, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Thomas Albert Hall, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

John Kirk Bernard,
Samuel Claghorn Bates,

Hiram Newton Rucker,
Arthur Homer Dauchy,

Carter Landram,
Aaron Badt.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Adams, William
Barfield, George Hardwick
Bearwald, Henry
Becker, Frederick
Draper, Wilbur Flake
Dunbar, Harry
Fleming, Charles Edgar
Galland, Joseph Barnett
Gribble, James Thomas
Hammatt, Robert William

Hardwick, Wm. Jefferson
Harris, Charles Parsons
Hart, William John
Hunt, William Horton
Jacobs, Isaac Henry
Jones, Lewis Fuller
Lee, George Pierce
Means, William Leland
Meany, Anthony James
Neighbor, Gilbert Bodine

Rector, Elbridge Gerry
Roes, Henry Christofer
Russell, John
Schroder, John George
Snyder, John Washington
Sproule, Isaac Henry
Stoneroad, Geo. Washington
Thorn, Joseph Franklin
Warfield, Chs. Alex. Hamilton
Westbay, William Wesley

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WITHDRAWN:

Howeth, Nelson—1.

EXCLUDED:

Wassman, Max—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report	44	Withdrawn	1
Exalted	4—48.	Excluded	1
		Now borne upon the roll	46—48.

WASHINGTON CHAPTER, No. 13.

Marysville, Yuba County.

Stated Meetings, second Friday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Alexander Cameron Irwin, <i>High Priest,</i>	Otis Frederick Lee, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
William Flint Peacock, <i>King,</i>	Charles Hapgood, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
William Andrew Lowrey, <i>Scribe,</i>	Albert Julius Menz, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Adoniram Judson Batchelder, <i>Treasurer,</i>	George W Blackburn, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
James Fred Eastman, <i>Secretary,</i>	James McConnell Berry, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
John George McLellan, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Amos Fisher, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

William Lee Lawrence,
Norman Dunning Rideout,
Edmund Taylor Wilkins,
Charles E Stone,

Lemuel Trescott Crane,
Thomas Hugh Steel,
Henry Charles Lott,
Samuel Josiah Smith Rogers,

Joseph Swaim Dallam,
Amasa Willey White,
Alexander Cameron Irwin,
John George McLellan.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Aaron, Francis Wm. Howard
Adams, Charles Dinkel
Aubrey, Frank Cornelius
Barnes, Avery Powers
Barrie, John Ferguson
Belcher, Isaac Sawyer

Belcher, William Caldwell
Berry, Campbell Polson
Bevan, Thomas Edward
Bingham, Atkins Clark
Binney, Andrew Jackson
Bomatter, Charles

Bradley, Samuel Henry
Brittan, Robert Edward Lee
Carpenter, Geo. Washington
Chase, Thomas
Clements, William Andrew
Cress, Jacob Daniel

Dahling, Henry Frank Fred	Hewitt, Arthur Hathaway	Peck, William Francis
Davis, Edwin Amenzo	Hochstadter, Adolph	Peffer, John
Deaner, Hiram Franklin	Hochstadter, Simon	Peters, Joseph
Deaner, Samuel Christian	Holland, George	Phillips, Joseph
DeWitt, William Golder	Hortop, Philip	Pincus, Emil
Dixon, John	Hudson, Edward Henry	Sanborn, Miles Edward
Dobbins, Thomas	Hull, Theodore Benson	Saye, George Marion
Dongall, Thomas	Hunter, William	Schuler, Conrad
Duncan, John Lewis	Hutchins, Gavin Walker	Slingsby, William
Earnshields, Victor Lewis	Jasper, Jos. M. Carrington	Soderlund, Johannes
Ellis, William Turner	Kells, Robert Cornelius	Soderlund, Noach
Engel, John Philip	Knight, David Edgar	Stanwood, Richard Goss
Engel, Peter	Kosby, Augustus Emil	Stoddard, William Seward
Featherly, Edward Wash'n	Lask, Joseph	Stratton, Cornelius Allen
Fimbreaeth, Arthur Francis	Levy, Jacob	Sullivan, John Lyon
Flint, Joseph A	Logan, Anderson Dabney	Swain, William Caldwell
Fraser, Daniel	Marcuse, Marcus	Thom, David, Jr.
Fuller, Jesse Beech	Marcuse, Meyer A	Thompson, Ernest Briceno
Gianella, Vincenzo	Mattison, Charles	Walton, Benjamin Franklin
Gibson, Alexander	McNutt, John Fleming	Walton, Hiram Aaron, Jr.
Goad, William Frank	Meek, Emerson Emmet	Weber, Henry Victor
Gottwals, William	Millar, Robert	Wilcoxon, Caleb Elisha
Griffith, Irwin	Miller, Hezekiah Monroe	Willey, Amasa Parker
Hamlin, Norman Scott	North, George	Wilson, Wesley Thomas
Harrington, Chris. Clark	Oakley, Amasa Wilder	Wilson, William Clinton
Haus, Ferdinand	Ostrom, Daniel Augustus	Wolters, George
Haynes, James	Oyster, William M	Woodworth, Willard Downer

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MARK MASTER:

WITHDRAWN:

Lewek, Solomon—1.

Berry, Rufus Albert

Shaefer, Charles Henry—2.

DIED:

Keyser, Philip Walter

Marker, Henry Bowman

Miller, Alexander—3.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report	116	Withdrawn	2
Exalted	5	Died	3
Affiliated	5—126.	Now borne upon the roll	121—126.

HOWARD CHAPTER, No. 14.

San Jose, Santa Clara County.

Stated Meetings, first Friday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Ralph Lowe, <i>High Priest,</i>	Orrin Francis Mann, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
Tyler Beach, <i>King,</i>	Richard Turner Priest, <i>Royal Arch Capt.,</i>
Wiley Huddleston Trogden, <i>Scribe,</i>	George Henry Bragg, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Clement Theodore Park, <i>Treasurer,</i>	James Robert Shields, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Joseph Wheeler Cook, <i>Secretary,</i>	George Thomas Gribner, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Clarence Haydock, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	William Larkin Woodrow, <i>Chaplain,</i>
Ebenezer Wilson Herrold, <i>Guard.</i>	

Past High Priests:

Wm. Alex. January, <i>P.G.H.P.</i> ,	Daniel O Dunn,	Wm. Winfield Blanchard,
Wilbur Justus Wilcox,	Orrin Francis Mann,	Fred Sanford Coffin,
William Osmond Breyfogle,	George Alex. Fleming,	Samuel Watson Boring.
Wilson Hayes,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Allen, Cyrus Hamilton	Hare, Andrew Jackson	Purinton, Byron
Allison, William De Witt	Hawley, William George	Purinton, Stephen Lafayette
Arnold, Austin	Haydock, William Henry	Reeve, Oscar Joel
Askam, Oliver Perry	Henry, James Harrison	Reinhart, Jacob Henry
Averett, Alvis Early	Heofstra, Lake Anton	Reither, Jacob
Beard, John Lyman	Hollis, William Henry	Rice, Judson
Bennett, Augustus Griffin	Jackson, William Andrew	Righter, Francis Marlon
Bennett, George Edmund	Keith, John Matthew	Roberts, Return
Bishop, Samuel Addison	Kent, Delos Gilmore	Robins, Charles Edwin
Blair, Thomas Henry	Leigh, Hugh Alexander	Rowley, Albanus Bellger
Boulware, Milton Amos	Lenzen, Theodore	Rucker, James Toliver
Bowen, Alfred	Lightall, George Elisha	Rucker, Samuel Newton
Bowman, George Melville	Livingston, William	Sargent, James Pattee
Brackett, Jethro N. Bruce	Mantz, Werner Henry	Schemmel, Henry Leonhard
Bradlee, Ezra Smith	Marckres, Harvey Austin	Secord, James K
Bray, George	Martin, William Joseph	Sexton, William
Breyfogle, Charles Wesley	Marvin, Charles	Shaw, Joseph Nathan
Briggs, John Gregg	McAfee, Andrew Finley	Shively, Reuben Otis
Cash, Albert B	McClosky, Thomas	Simpson, William
Castle, Alex. Wilson	McDougall, Giles Eggleston	Sinclair, Robert B
Cate, Horatio Wilson	McKee, George Butterfield	Souders, James Newton
Chapman, Aid de Lyon	McMillan, John Gilmore	Spitzer, Louis Amis
Clinkenbeard, Kinzea Stone	McMurtry, William Sharpe	Spring, H'y Mayer Newhall
Collins, Richard Everett	McNeil, Albert Beebe	Steele, Davis
Cory, Benjamin	Menzel, Robert	Stevenson, Richard
Cory, Benjamin Brodie	Middleton, Joseph Traill	Stone, Thomas Jefferson
Ellis, William Fred.	Mitchell, Henry Zearing	Sturges, Mahlon Beach
Emmerson, George	Montgomery, Thomas S	Tisdale, William DeWitt
Evans, Reece Thompson	Moore, Howell Chappelle	Tucker, John Henry
Farwell, Albert Bingham	Morey, Harvey Chapin	Vale, William
Field, Arthur Gilbert	Mortimer, William	Wagener, Samuel Hopkins
Finch, Philetus	Mott, John	Walthall, Jeter Witt
Fisher, John Edward	Nickerson, Franklin Levi	Weller, Henry Olp
Flagg, Edwin Clarence	Niehaus, Edward	Wells, Proctor R
Garnier, Thomas Ralph	Northern, William Leander	Wetmore, Alson L
Gay, Milus Harvey	Osborne, Antrim Edgar	Widney, John
Gerichs, John Christian	Ownby, Thomas Powell	Williams, Edward
Haley, William Wallace	Peacock, Geo. Washington	Wright, Henry Ward—138.
Hamilton, Alonzo Babbitt	Pfau, Louis John	

MOST EXCELLENT MASTER:

Steiger, Louis Adolph—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Whidden, George Ackerman Wilcox, Frank Wilbur—2.

EXCLUDED:

Moser, Jacob—1.

DIED:

Cadwallader, Nirum	Rucker, Joseph Edmundson	Vandine, Eben
Laine, Thomas Henry	Spring, Thaddeus Warsaw	Wisaman, Gerard Fred—6.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report	187	Withdrawn.....	2
Exalted.....	8	Excluded.....	1
Affiliated.....	2-147.	Died.....	6
		Now borne upon the roll	188-147.

CYRUS CHAPTER, No. 15.

Yreka, Siskiyou County.

Stated Meetings, second Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Henry David Robertson, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Calvin Levy Gregory, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
Louis Philip Scheld, <i>King</i> ,	John Enoch Harmon, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Charles Amos Larison, <i>Scribe</i> ,	William Lorenzo Hobbs, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
James Vance, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Frederick Elijah Wadsworth, <i>Mas. 2d Vail</i> ,
Louis Nordheim, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Frederick Alex. Antenrieth, <i>Mas. 1st Vail</i> ,
Alonzo Emery Raynes, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	—— ——— ———, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Daniel Ream,	Alonzo Emery Raynes,	John William Bird,
Abiasha Swain,	John Morris Walbridge,	Curtis Hooper Pyle.
James Vance,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Amos, Thomas	Fabricius, Andrew Jackson Parker, Alexander, Jr.
Beem, Martin Custer	Gilbert, Thomas Henry
Bradley, James Walker	Horn, David
Brown, John Vance	Jones, John Johnson
Caldwell, Daniel	Little, James Berkley
Cooper, George Washington Long, James Franklin	Rostetter, George
Davidson, Jas. McDermott	McBride, John Franklin
Davis, Alphonse G. Wash'n	Moody, Willis Edward
Doten, Josiah Wilson	Nichols, Henry
Eddy, Irwin Levy	Nutting, Charles Wilbur
Eddy, Norton Harvey	White, Samuel—47.

MOST EXCELLENT MASTER:

MARK MASTERS:

Beard, John Samuel—1. Lincoln, Eric Theodore Smith, Clarence Stewart—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Davidson, Samuel—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	43	Susp. for non-payment of dues.....	1
Exalted...	5-48.	Now borne upon the roll.....	47-48.

ST. JAMES CHAPTER, No. 16.**Placerville, El Dorado County.***Stated Meetings, third Friday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Geo. Huntington Burnham, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Reuben Kelly Berry, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
Henry Sylvester Morey, <i>King</i> ,	Thomas Hibbard White, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
Shelley Inch, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Marco Varozza, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
John William Deuch, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Samuel Jemison Alden, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Charles Henry Weatherwax, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Andrew Thompson Culbertson, <i>Mas. 1st V.</i> ,
Fred'k Ferdinand Barss, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	Charles Caleb Pierce, <i>Chaplain</i> ,
James Lambeth Weymouth, <i>Guard</i> .	

Past High Priests:

Frederick Ferdinand Barss,	James Lambeth Weymouth,	Thomas Fraser,
Charles Fitzgerald Irwin,	Andrew Thom'n Culbertson,	Geo. Hunting'n Burnham.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Alderson, Richardson, Jr.	Eaton, John William	Merrill, Charles Edward
Avansino, Nicola	Fisher, John Adolphus	McKee, George Washington
Barlow, George Washington	Hamel, Henry	McLean, John Marion
Blair, John	Hume, James Bunyan	Miller, John Wesley
Blakely, Alburn Jackson	Hoskins, Samuel Pierce	Plumado, Francis Hilair
Blanchard, George Granville	Ingham, George Howard	Van Voorhies, Ralph Josiah
Cello, Carlo Giuseppe	Loveless, Seth	Yeadon, William—38.
Crawford, John Jones	Markle, John Alexander	

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Miller, Daniel Rice

Page, Horace Francis—2.

EXCLUDED:**DIED:**

Arvidson, Charles John—1.

Galt, Thomas Augustus

Schneider, John—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....41	Susp. for non-payment of dues..... 2
Exalted..... 2—43.	Excluded..... 1
	Died 2
	Now borne upon the roll.....38—43.

LIBANUS CHAPTER, No. 17.**Iowa City, Placer County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

William Green Wolfe, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Henry Del Re, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
William Nelson Bissett, <i>King</i> ,	Truman Allen Stevens, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
Chester Hackett, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Willis Fish Gould, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
James Weeks Chinn, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Garrett Booth, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
William Clinton Rich, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Aquilla Rodons, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
John Franklin Yoder, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	Edward Mitchell, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

William Clinton Rich, William Green Wolfe, James Jasper Rich.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Barrett, Adams	Jacobs, James Monroe	McGraw, Dennis Joseph
Christy, William	Jones, William Arthur	Smith, William
Coker, Gould Carleton	Juergensen, Peter Nicolai	Smiley, Albert Parah
Develey, Henry K	Lewis, Robert	Stemple, Henry—27.
Hobson, John Beaugard	Lord, George William	

DIED:

Ross, James—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....28. Died 1
Now borne upon the roll.....27—28.

GRASS VALLEY CHAPTER, No. 18.

Grass Valley, Nevada County.

Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Theodore Henry Wilhelm, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Frank Aver, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
Thomas John Mitchell, <i>King</i> ,	Robert Kemp, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
James Clymo Noel, <i>Scribe</i> ,	John Hicks, Jr., <i>Master 3d Val</i> ,
Edward Coleman, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thomas Ingram, <i>Master 2d Val</i> ,
William David Harris, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Joseph Weisabein, <i>Master 1st Val</i> ,
Wm. Gordon Hudson, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	David De Kalb Bowman, <i>Chaplain</i> ,
	Edward Nuttall, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Alexander Buchanan Brady, Edward Coleman, *P. G. H. P.*, Wm. Gordon Hudson,
Reuben Leach, John Crisp Coleman, Theodore Henry Wilhelm.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Andrews, James	Deamer, William Elliott	Harris, John
Angove, John	Dodge, John Lewis	Harris, Stephen Michael
Barker, Charles	Dorsey, Samuel Packwood	Hattam, Joseph
Bennallack, James	Douglass, William	Hill, George Washington
Berriman, Henry	Dunston, William	Hooper, James
Bunkelman, David	Elliott, Marcus Lindsey	Husom, Andrew
Body, Wm. Christopher Dart	Finnie, Robert Dryden	Johnston, Peter
Caddy, Richard	Gad, Bernard	Jones, William O
Catron, William	Gluyas, James	Kendig, Daniel
Clift, William	Granger, Samuel	Lawrence, John
Combs, William (1)	Griffin, George	Long, Stephen
Combs, William (2)	Hand, William Dawson	Maddrell, Charles Edward
Crocker, John Ross	Hand, William Henry	Maynard, Stephen

Mitchell, Charles Henry	Price, Briscoe Hugh	Stoddard, Orlando
Morehouse, Alphonso	Rhatigan, John	Uphoff, Herman
Moore, Stephen	Richards, William	Vincent, George
Noel, Richard	Roberts, Edmund Wilson	Walker, Thomas Rolla
Noonan, Patrick	Roland, Louis Jerome	Werry, John
Pears, Joseph	Sanders, John	Weissbein, Jacob
Pettijean, Theophilus	Saxon, Edward	Whiting, Edward Houston
Poiglese, John	Stein, Isidore	Wilcox, Henry Hume—81.
Poole, William	Stoddard, Alexander	

MARK MASTER:

Matteson, David Edwin—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Sink, Reuben Henry—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Dibble, Alfred Barrett—1.

DIED:

McKay, John

Spencer, William Kenyon

Stokes, William Charles—3.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....80	Withdrawn.....	1
Exalted..... 6-86.	Susp. for non-payment of dues.....	1
	Died.....	8
	Now borne upon the roll.....	81-86.

TRINITY CHAPTER, No. 19.

Weaverville, Trinity County.

*Stated Meetings, second and fourth Tuesdays in each month.***OFFICERS:**

John McMurry, <i>High Priest</i> ,	John Clifton Mason, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
William Spencer Lowden, <i>King</i> ,	James Bowie, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
John William Philbrook, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Belty Esalck, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Peter M Paulsen, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Adolph Whitebread, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Champion W Smith, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Frederick Zarli, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Detlef Hansen, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	John Henry Bremer, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

John Clifton Mason,	James Harvey,	John McMurry.
Wiley James Tinnin, <i>P. G. H. P.</i> ,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Black, Peter Patterson	Harvey, Alfred	Raab, Louis Frederick
Given, James Edgar	Jackson, Harry Jean	Bowles, James
Given, William Cushing	Miller, Thomas Love	Smith, John Huron
Haas, Gottlieb Frederick	Newman, Michael Roush	Van Matre, George
Hackett, George J	Paulsen, Jacob	Vollmer, William—30.
Hardin, David		

PAST MASTERS:

Chamberlain, Paul Rehonard	Shuford, John William—2.
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RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....30.	Now borne upon the roll.....	30.
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FRANKLIN CHAPTER, No. 20.

Oreville, Butte County.

Stated Meetings, first and third Thursdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

Emanuel Briggs Morgan, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Warren Sexton, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
Albert Foster Jones, <i>King</i> ,	Thos. Boyd Hutchins, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
William Henry Stafford, <i>Scribe</i> ,	George James Graham, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Ralsemond Parker, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thomas Wilson Serviss, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Samuel Samuel Simon, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Mould, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
John Carleton Gray, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Homer Allen Woodworth, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Charles Fayette Lott,	Warren Sexton,	George James Graham,
Arthur McDermott,	Patrick Ogilby Hundley,	Samuel Samuel Simon,
George Henry Crosette,	Milton James Green,	Thomas Boyd Hutchins.
John Carleton Gray,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Bayles, David	Grace, Robert Patrick	Plum, Nathaniel Dunbar
Bigelow, Marcus James	Gridley, Charles Edward	Powell, David
Bowden, James Frederick	Grubbs, Richard Champion	Pratt, Enoch Henry
Braddock, David Washing'n	Hartson, Charles Gardner	Presley, Allen
Brock, Joseph Herbert	Hendricks, Thomas Pollock	Ruggles, Elijah Star
Brown, William Alexander	Hewitt, John Boughton	Schultz, John Fridrich
Buchanan, Phil. Goodrich	Hutchins, John Sullivan	Shaw, George Moore
Burroughs, Charles	James, William	Simon, Lewis Aaron
Butler, Charles Frederick	Jones, Peter William	Sjoberg, Anders Gustaf
Chappell, Wallace H	Kitchen, Isaac Warren	Sparks, Ebenezer Morrison
Davis, Edward Jennings	Ludlum, Thomas Badgley	Sperry, Willard Felton
Dyer, George Washington	McDermott, Wm. Patrick	Sprague, Frederick Adams
Eckart, George Robert	Medanich, George	Stone, Lewis Charles
Fagan, Edward	Melton, Leander McC.	Taber, Floyd
Faulkner, Thomas	Meredith, John Robert	Waldeyer, Charles
Featherstone, William	Mitchell, John Konstantine	Wells, Michael Henry
Fleming, Thomas Robert	Morgan, Jenkin	White, Richard
Gale, John	Neel, Henry Harrison	Wickman, George Didrich
Glass, Louis	Pence, Watt Manoaah	Williams, Jacob
Goodday, Louis	Perkins, David King	Willoughby, Nicholas--77.

DIED:

Edmunds, William	Cribben, John	Jenkins, Thomas Jarrett--3.
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RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report..... 80.	Died..... 3
	Now borne upon the roll.....77--80.

SIERRA CHAPTER, No. 21.**Downieville, Sierra County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

William Thompson Luther, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Benjamin Pauly, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
George C Martin, <i>King</i> ,	Aden Denmire, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Lewis Mowry, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Donald McNaughton, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Henry Haddon Purdy, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Lemuel Foss, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
William Ryan, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James Brown Crooks, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Samuel Curtis Stewart, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	Valentine Hartling, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priest:William Thompson Luther, *P. G. E. P.***ROYAL ARCH MASONS:**

Aird, Alexander Fisher	Goodwin, James Willis	Thomas, Benjamin
Akers, Charles Duval	Hanley, William Franz	Thompson, David Edward
Blohm, John August	McGregor, James	Wayland, William Allen
Bradbury, John T	Pilond, Edouard	West, John Thorrensues
Busch, August Christopher	Roussan, Charles Adrian	Whitney, David Livingston
Clute, John Howard	St. Pierre, John	Williams, Thomas—31.
Edmonds, Thomas		

WITHDRAWN:

Ellery, Henry, Jr.	Ross, John	Wilcox, Schyler Nind—3.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

McQuarrie, William Charles	Wilkinson, William—2.
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DIED:

Abbe, George Henry	Lewis, Jacob	Schofield, Mark—3.
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RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report	39.	Withdrawn.....	3
		Susp. for non-payment of dues.....	2
		Died	3
		Now borne upon the roll.....	31—39.

PETALUMA CHAPTER, No. 22.**Petaluma, Sonoma County.***Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

George Perkins Baxter, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Herman Albert Heineken, <i>P. Sojourner</i> ,
Deodato Garinto Tomasini, <i>King</i> ,	James Singley, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Frank Arlington Cromwell, <i>Scribe</i> ,	William Barnabas Haskell, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Ezekiel Denman, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Henry Durden, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Isaac Samuel Crawford, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Robert Henry Brown, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Marcus Dyathea Goshen, <i>Capt. of Host</i> ,	Charles Ephraim Polk, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

James Singley, William Barnabas Haskell, Isaac Samuel Crawford,
 Benjamin Franklin Tuttle, John Cavanagh, Lyman O Byce.
 Marcus Dyatheka Goahen, Levi Hartzell Patty,

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Baur, John	Gilbert, Platt Benedict	Poehlman, Conrad
Beggs, Thomas J	Grandi, Salvatore	Roseburgh, Allen
Berri, Vittore	Guerra, Bonifacio	Rugg, William Hazen
Bihler, William	Haney, Frank	Sartori, Ignatio
Bonetti, Luca	Hasbrouck, Hiram Brown	Schroyer, Aaron
Bowles, Joseph Martin	Haubrich, Leonard	Taft, Hiram Lafayette
Brainard, Henry Paine	Hesseltine, Benj. Loring	Temple, Conrad
Button, Isaac V	Hill, William	Tomasini, Louis
Chopard, Louis	Jacobs, Thomas Robert	Tomasini, Mateo
Codoni, Guiseppe Abbondio	Kahn, Achille	Van Doren, John Suydam
Collins, Franklin Miller	Kuhnle, Fred	Veale, William Roe
Crowley, Timothy Joseph	Lauck, Joseph Benjamin	Wallace, Robert G
Denman, Frank Hardenb'gh	Lewis, John Bacon	Walter, Isaac M
Dinwiddie, James Lockridge	Lippitt, Edward Spalding	Weyhe, Paul Charles
Dixheimer, John	McDonald, Gilbert	White, Josiah Howe
Dreyfuss, Edward	McGrew, Samuel	Whitney, Arthur Lealie
Fairbanks, Dolph Brice	Merritt, John	Wilder, William
Fairbanks, Hiram Tolbert	Mitchener, Jonathan	Yoemans, Charles
Fairbanks, Joseph Frank	Ormsby, John Harper	Zartman, William
Falkner, Miles Henry	Pedrazzini, Louis	Zook, Francis Kurtz—76.

WITHDRAWN:

Sartori, Rafael—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....73 Withdrawn..... 1
 Exalted..... 4—77. Now borne upon the roll.....76—77.

OLIVER CHAPTER, No. 23.

Forest Hill, Placer County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday after Full Moon.

(No Returns.)

LA FAYETTE CHAPTER, No. 24.

Camptenville, Yuba County.

Stated Meetings, first Saturday after Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS:

William Bull Meek, <i>High Priest,</i>	Charles O'Hara, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
William Alexander Meek, <i>King,</i>	Richard Baker, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Eugene Beauharnais Covey, <i>Scribe,</i>	John Rufus Kennedy, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
James Arnett, <i>Treasurer,</i>	James Nelson, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
_____, <i>Secretary,</i>	Charles McLellan, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
David Calvin, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Peter Russell, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Gilbert Burnett Claiborne,	Isaac Lothrop,	Benjamin Franklin Bagley,
Edward Richards Hedges,	Doran Lucius Campbell,	Arthur Morgan Noble,
Alexander Chalmers,	Henry Ephraim Robbins,	Eugene Lehe.
George Alex. McKensie,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Abernethy, Wm. Alexander	Folsom, Gilman W	Orr, Nelson Mills
Ashley, George Henry	Fraser, Phillip Barry	Payne, Alfred George
Bachmann, Carl August	Friedberger, Arnold	Perkins, Charles Edward
Barber, Joseph Martin	Frost, Haller Coventry	Peters, Joseph D
Barnes, Henry Stevens	Fyfe, Joseph	Phelps, Joseph Larose
Batchelder, Benj. Pierce	Garwood, John	Rhodes, Charles Wise
Beckman, Henry	Gersbacher, Joshua Barre	Rhodes, Wm. H. Harrison
Beede, Wm. Morris Stewart	Graham, William	Robertson, Peter Sterling
Bennett, Paul Weatherby	Harrison, Norval	Roland, John Morgan
Berry, Frederick T	Harrison, William Bruce	Rolerson, Benjamin Franklin
Bonney, Charles Sumner	Harrold, Nathaniel Siggons	Russell, Richard William
Brown, Phillip Thomas	Henderson, Milton Pierce	Sanguinetti, Domenico
Bulson, Herman Rice	Henery, Samuel	Scott, Edward
Caine, John	Jockers, David	Shaw, Henry Coffin
Casey, William James	Jory, John	Sherman, Edwin Brown
Oastle, Christ'r Champlin	Keeler, William Henry	Shurtleff, George Augustus
Cavin, James	Keyes, Henry Calcott	Smith, James Webb
Oavis, Joseph Mills	Keyes, William Henry	Smith, Wellington T
Oavis, Joseph William	Kerr, Benjamin Eadie	Snow, William
Confer, Solomon Lytle	Kirkland, William	Sperry, George Barker
Corson, Charles Hartwell	Lane, Frank Ellis	Stewart, John Daniels
Craig, Howard Mills	Langford, Benj. Franklin	Swain, Cornelius
Cross, Samuel Nelson	Langridge, George Wash'n	Thompson, John William
Cobb, Frank Dyckman	Little, William Jackson	Todd, Francis Walton
Cunningham, Thomas	Mays, William Henry	Waterman, Solomon
Currier, Guy Wilbur	McGuffick, William	Woods, John Newton
Daniels, James Moore	Milco, Nicola	Woods, Samuel Mosely
Eldridge, Edward Duane	Misener, Norman Sumner	West, Frederick Macondray
Fanning, Howard Malcombe	O'Brien, John Henry	Yardley, John—105.

WITHDRAWN:

Calverwell, George Warren	Dunbar, Sylvester Gil. S.—2.
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DIED:

Tighman, George	Reid, Robert King—2.
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RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report 103	Withdrawn 2
Exalted 6—109.	Died 2
	Now borne upon the roll 105—109.

MANZANITA CHAPTER, No. 29.**North San Juan, Nevada County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday after Full Moon in each month.***OFFICERS:**

John Storer McBride, <i>High Priest,</i>	Frank Napoleon Morris, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
Frederick William Bank, <i>King,</i>	John Quick, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Albert James Wood, <i>Scribe,</i>	Henry Bailey Fuller, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
John German, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Ashley Smith Bigelow, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Patrick Henry Butler, <i>Secretary,</i>	Charles Scheurman, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
John Trood, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Joseph Gordon Dickson, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

John Ambrose Seely,

John Storer McBride.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Allison, Peter	Harris, Thomas	Netter, Nathan
Atwater, Henry	Harris, Thomas Voel	Osborn, Thomas Israel
Bell, Francis Hiram	Helwig, John Henry	Quick, Paul
Billing, John	Henderson, Duncan	Redington, James
Bristow, William	Hiscox, Irving Menner	Rogers, Joseph D
Buhring, Harry Herman	Huff, William	Rogers, William James
Clymo, Francis	James, William David	Rossen, Rasmus Peterson
Oall, Henry	Jepsen, Christian Otto	Spooner, George Cummings
Canard, James Henry	Jones, John Richard	Stone, John
Davis, William Morgan	Lancaster, Charles Edward	Thomas, Richard
Dunning, William	Llewellyn, Daniel	Trood, William
Freeman, Thomas	McIntire, James Lamberton	Wood, Frank Merton—51.
Gilbert, Josiah Stevens	McMurray, Robert	

DIED:

McCullough, James

Woodruff, Aphek Lorenzo—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....50	Died..... 2
Exalted..... 3—53.	Now borne upon the roll.....51—53.

NAPA CHAPTER, No. 30.**Napa, Napa County.***Stated Meetings, second and fourth Mondays in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Albert Moore Knapp, <i>High Priest,</i>	Charles Ray Gritman, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
Eli Washington Hottel, <i>King,</i>	Daniel Burrell Parks, <i>Royal Arch Capt.,</i>
Calvin Bowers Walker, <i>Scribe,</i>	Morrow Henry Davis, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Robert Crouch, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Henry Louis Amstutz, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
James Baunty Stevens, <i>Secretary,</i>	Frederick N Giles, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Henry Hay Knapp, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Amos Smith Knapp, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Henry Hay Knapp, *P. G. H. P.*, William Bradford, Charles Ray Gritman.
Robert Crouch,

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Briggs, Sebra	Hawks, John	Mason, James
Bustelli, Gottardo	Hoadley, Horace James	McCollum, William John
Davis, James Lincoln	Holden, Samuel Emery	Mecklenberg, Joseph
Elles, Theodore	Horstmeyer, Henry Conrad	Miller, Francis Ashbury
Epley, Thomas Henry	Johnson, William Thomas	Robinson, Joseph Lilburn
Fisher, William Frederick	Johnston, Finis Ewing	Shurtleff, Benjamin
Gardner, James Buchanan	Keyser, Daniel Sterling	Sterling, Robert Henry
Grossman, Adolphus Her'n	Lasher, Abner Erastus	Swift, John Jackson
Haas, David Leopold	Manasse, Emanuel	Zollner, John Ferdinand—41.
Haas, Martin Luther		

PAST MASTER:

Landecker, Sally David—1.

DIED:

Brown, Jacob Barry—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....39	Died 1
Exalted 2	Now borne upon the roll.....41—42.
Affiliated 1—42.	

MARTINEZ CHAPTER, No. 31.**Martinez, Contra Costa County.**

Stated Meetings, Monday of or preceding Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS:

Lewis Cass Wittenmyer, <i>High Priest</i> ,	William Sewell Wells, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
William John Douglas, <i>King</i> ,	William Henry Buckley, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
Gabriel Blum, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Albert Edmund Blum, <i>Master 3d Val</i> ,
Isidor Weiss, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	James Bankin, <i>Master 2d Val</i> ,
George Atwood Sherman, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Charles Edward Miller, <i>Master 1st Val</i> ,
Chas. Samuel Cousins, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> .	Simon Blum, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Lewis Cass Wittenmyer, William John Douglas.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Alexander, Geo. Edmund	Evans, Hugh	Rhoads, John Charles
Aitken, James	Fernandez, Bernardo	Ridgway, Frazier
Baker, Corlin Clark	Gamble, James	Sanford, Farmer
Baldwin, Barry	Gray, James	Turner, Benjamin Coffin
Black, Joseph	Griffin, Thomas	Turrell, George William
Borach, Bernard	Guy, John W	Wagner, Theodore Fred C
Boyd, John Wheaton	Hinman, Justus Michael	Wagy, Elmer B
Brown, Samuel	Jones, Joseph Philip	Walker, James Tormay
Burpee, Winfield Scott	Joye, Edward Vernon	Wiley, George Adrian
Chase, Eli Robbins	Lucas, John Goncoloes	Williams, Isaac
De Witt, James Madison	McCarger, Philander	Wolford, Leo Hugh
Edwards, Hugh Pugh	Parkinson, Manuel Casada	Zech, August Frederick—48.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....48.	Now borne upon the roll.....48.
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LOS ANGELES CHAPTER, No. 33.

Los Angeles, Los Angeles County.

*Stated Meetings, second Monday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Carl Frederick August Last, *High Priest*, Ansel Melen Bragg, *Principal Sojourner*,
 Edward Anthony Preuss, *King*, Moritz Morris, *Royal Arch Captain*,
 Heyman Solomon, *Scribe*, Cyrus Willard, *Master 3d Vail*,
 John Goldsworthy, *Treasurer*, John Malcolm Glass, *Master 2d Vail*,
 William Augustus Hammel, *Secretary*, William Thomas Jeffries, *Master 1st Vail*,
 William Henry Riggs, *Captain of the Host*, Henry Lewis, *Guard*.

East High Priests:

Abraham Wolf Edelman, James Seth Crawford, Ansel Melen Bragg,
 Samuel Prager, George Frederick McLellan, John Goldsworthy.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Ballade, Pascual	Griggs, William Francis	Moore, Walter Scott
Barnett, Eli Elsa	Grymes, George Anderson	Neitsky, Ernest
Barnett, John Zachariah	Hewett, Eldridge Edward	Philbin, John Andrew
Baruch, Berthold	Hinds, George	Platt, Charles Decatur
Baruch, Jacob	Jaiger, Lewis John Fred'k	Purvis, John Robert
Brown, Thomas Bruen	Illich, Jerry	Rowan, Thomas Edwin
Buffum, William	Jacoby, Herman	Russell, Henry T
Burns, James Frank	Lambie, William Thomas	Ryan, Michael Edward
Cahen, Simon	Lawrence, John	Ryan, William Andrew
Chandler, Burdett	Loew, Jacob	Shaw, Thomas William
Cohn, Benjamin	Levy, Michael	Skinner, John Maxwell
Cook, George Washington	Levy, Eli Julius	Smith, C Edgar
Cuddy, Thomas James	Long, Jeremiah	Smith, Henry Martyn
Denker, Andrew Henry	Marsh, Frank	Spence, Edward Fallis
Ducommon, Charles Louis	Mahoney, John James	Teele, Charles Adelbert
Eckert, Robert	McFarland, Walter	Waite, Earl Sherman
Enz, Charles Augustus	McGregor, Robert Evan	Weldon, Arthur
Eyraud, Emanuel	Mendelson, Morris Aaron	Weston, Benjamin S
George, Ambrose Franklin	Meyberg, Moritz	Wickersham, Isaac—75.
Gross, Frederick	Meyer, Samuel	

RESTORED:

Gross, Frederick—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Berman, Elias Paul, John Rink Porter, Thomas Cunningham—4.
 Davis, Phillip

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Reynolds, John Jefferson—1.

DIED:

Hammel, Henry Ranney, Rudolph—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....67	Withdrawn..... 4
Exalted.....12	Susp. for non-payment of dues.. 1
Affiliated..... 2	Died..... 2
Restored..... 1—82.	Now borne upon the roll.....75—82.

ALTURAS CHAPTER, No. 34.**Quincy, Plumas County.***Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

— — — — —, <i>High Priest,</i>	Arthur Walter Keddle, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
James Henry Whitlock, <i>King,</i>	Daniel Robertson Smith, <i>R. A. Captain,</i>
— — — — —, <i>Scribe,</i>	Asher Cohn, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
William Thomas Byers, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Thomas Corydon Lee, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Joshua Hutchins Variel, <i>Secretary,</i>	Charles Rupert, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
— — — — —, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Samuel Taylor, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Benjamin Wilcox Barnes,	Joshua Hutchins Variel,	John Daniel Goodwin.
Thomas Alonzo McFarland,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Dolly, Otis Briles	Mitchell, John Ephraim	Parsons, Edward Ira
Dwinelle, Aaron Alonzo	Meylert, Gordon W.	Thomas, John Hiram
Hendel, Charles William	Nevil, John	Thorp, Joseph Henry—22.
Meikle, William		

WITHDRAWN:

Variel, Robt. Henry Fauntleroy	McQuestion, Chas. Oliver	McFarland, Abel—3
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DIED:

Jacquel, Julien	Schofield, Miles—2.
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RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report	27.	Withdrawn.....	3
		Died	2
		Now borne upon the roll.....	22—27.

NAVAL CHAPTER, No. 35.**Vallejo, Solano County.***Stated Meetings, second Wednesday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

David Forney Beveridge, <i>High Priest,</i>	Benjamin Benas, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
Patrick Haley, <i>King,</i>	William Henry Clark, <i>Royal Arch Capt.,</i>
John Wilton Winton, <i>Scribe,</i>	George Rounds, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
John Brownlie, <i>Treasurer,</i>	George Pomroy Plaisted, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Charles Daly, <i>Secretary,</i>	Charles John Wall, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Jonathan Bond, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Henry Bruce, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Jno. Mills Browne, <i>P. G. H. P.,</i>	James Roney,	George Rounds,
Mattison Myers,	Roland Jackson McDaniel,	Joseph Bullock Ooghian,
Osgood Hilton,	Christian Theo. B. Hallin,	Walter Duncan Anderson,
Charles Daly,	Benjamin Benas,	Henry Daniel Lazelle.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Aden, Remer Joh'n Rem's	Harrier, Daniel Webster	Rothenbush, Peter
Aden, John Bemmers	Harrier, Louis Garibaldi	Russell, William Abbott
Aden, Melchert Bemmers	Hawthorne, Charles Ralph	Rutherford, David
Bertoscky, Alex. Bertsch	Henderson, Orrington Lunt	Sailor, John Henry
Butler, Ira Mortimer	Hilborn, Samuel Greeley	Savage, Thomas
Butler, Orrin Hartwell	Itrich, Franz Antone	Sides, George Elvin
Bergwall, Gustaf Adolf	Kemper, Melchoir	Shillingsburg, William
Chandler, Robert	Lister, Benjamin	Small, Frederick Augustus
Clausen, August Ernst	McLees, Edmond	Smith, John Daniel
Drake, Frank	McPike, Andrew Jackson	Spencer, John Abram
Duncan, John Kennedy	Much, George Washington	Thompson, John
Farley, Dallas Jones	Mugridge, Charles Franklin	Titcomb, John Locke
Farnham, John	Nagle, Richard Wellington	Toothaker, Harvey Puring'n
Fassett, Thomas Odeon	O'Hara, John Henry	Topley, James
Faust, John	Passallaqua, Bennaditto	Voorhies, Albert Parsons
Ferrier, Francis	Peck, George	Warford, Sylvester
Ford, John Harris	Perkins, Con Marrast	Webster, Henry John
Ford, Harry Clay	Perryman, John Thomas	Williamson, John Marshall
Frey, John	Powell, Abraham	Wilson, George Wilkins
Good, Harry Carlton	Rae, James	Wright, Martin Jeremiah
Gottig, Theodor	Robinson, Jno. Buckingham	—83.

MARK MASTER:

Johnson, Otto—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Bowman, Simeon Clemens	Hall, John Hancock	Thomas, John, Jr.—4.
Cordiero, Fred'k Joaquin Barbosa		

DIED:

Haakin, Enoch William	Kelly, Patrick James	Little, Samuel—3.
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RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....87	Withdrawn..... 4
Exalted..... 1	Died..... 3
Affiliated..... 2—90.	Now borne upon the roll.....83—90.

OAKLAND CHAPTER, No. 36.

Oakland, Alameda County.

Stated Meetings, first and third Wednesdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

Joseph Fountain Chandler, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Charles Franklin Burnham, <i>Pr. Sojourner</i> ,
Frederick Low Krause, <i>King</i> ,	John J Newsom, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
William Clay Smith, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Charles Leslie Hewes, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Charles Dexter Pierce, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	David Todd Lees, Jr., <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
John William McClymonds, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Robert Edgar, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
William Henry Craig, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	Charles Edwin Gillett, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Benjamin Akerly,	James Todd Gardiner,	John Wm. McClymonds,
Nathan W. Spaulding, <i>P. G. H. P.</i> ,	George Edwin Whitney,	William Frank Pierce,
Walter Laidlaw,	Frank Howard Brooks,	Charles Nelson Fox,
William Burt Clayton,	Charles Edwin Gillett,	Webb Nicholson Pearce,
William Addison Walter,	Samuel Thornburn Black,	Edw'd Harrison Morgan,
Frank Worthy Cushing,	Amasa Wright Bishop,	Alvah Kittridge Clark.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Allardt, George Frederick	Cunningham, Parlan R	Hersey, Edgar Amos
Ames, Josiah Parker	Cushing, John	Hewes, Charles Wesley
Antisell, Thomas Murphy	Dalton, Henry Philip	Hill, William Henry
Antonelle, Joseph Sabartine	Davis, Dwight Lucian	Hume, Joseph
Austin, James Davis	Davis, William Rude	Hyde, Marcus Darius
Ayers, William Harrison	Degan, Ludolph Philip	Ingersoll, William Bowker
Baker, Alfred Septimus	De Golia, George Ellis	Kendall, Alpheus
Ball, Ambrose Everett	Delger, Edward Frederick	Kerr, Louis Carmick
Banks, Charles Wells	Delger, Frederick	Kercheval, John Hereford
Bartlett, Pliny	Dingee, William Jackson	Knight, Frederick Wales
Beeby, Robert John	Dodge, Ezekiel Goddard	Koser, Newton Alexander
Belden, Henry Keney	Du Bois, Sumner Victor	Krytser, Charles John
Bennett, Thomas	Dynes, William Henry	Kutz, George Fitzgerald
Betts, William Michael	Eadon, Moses	Lamoureux, Philias Henry
Bice, John	Edgar, William James	Lancaster, Joseph
Blood, William Frank	Ellis, William	Landers, William John
Bond, Arthur Hastings	Elliot, Washington	Lee, John
Bones, Samuel West	Ely, Ralph Asahel	Lentell, James
Brabban, Dixon	Emery, Joseph Stickney	Lightner, Henry P
Bradley, John Tilford	Evers, John Henry	Littler, Oliver Wilson
Bragdon, Edmund, Jr.	Everson, Wallace	Logan, Oliver Cunningham
Brooks, Charles, Sr.	Ferguson, Henry James	Long, Charles Stewart
Brown, Lewis Henry	Fox, George W	Lord, Charles Reuben
Burrell, Alfred William	French, Robert Elsworth	Loring, George York
Bush, Robert Edwin	Frick, George William	Magill, Arthur Edward
Campbell, Alexander	Glasscock, John Raglin	Marsellus, Edwin P
Campbell, Frederick McLean	Gifford, William M	Marr, Archibald Campbell
Camron, William Walker	Gilpin, Zachery Taylor	Man, Charles Frederick
Cary, Amzi B	Goodman, George	Mauzy, Byron
Chamberlain, C Sylvester	Gottshall, Louis	McClain, Joseph
Chappellet, Felix	Greenhood, Jacob	McGillivray, Joseph
Chittenden, Henry Hatfield	Grey, Roscoe Spaulding	McGillivray, William Donald
Collier, John Henry	Gunn, Adam Francis	McGuire, Jesse Milton
Collins, David Edward	Hale, William Elmer	Meade, Calvert
Cordes, Paul Henry	Hamilton, William Thomas	Meek, Horry Wert
Cormeny, Eugene	Handy, Brayton Everington	Meek, William Elsworth
Cox, George Washington	Handy, Lucian Harvey	Merritt, James Bestor
Craik, Richard Carson	Haven, Charles Dwight	Metcalf, George Dickson
Craib, William	Hawes, Benjamin Cowell	Miller, James
Craig, Homer Alexander	Hayes, Daniel Edward	Miller, Robert Willis
Cramer, Adolph Ed. Henry	Henley, James Brainard	Miller, William Noble
Crellin, John	Henninger, Frederick	Momyer, Henry E
Crowley, Dennis David	Herbert, Henry Vandever	Monnet, Louis
Cumming, William George	Heron, Ernest Alvah	Moore, Albert Alphonso

Morris, Moses	Reichling, Francis	Stone, Franklin Byron
Mueller, Herman Emanuel	Reichling, Lewis Frank	Taft, Henry Clay
Munson, Arthur King	Reinstadler, François	Taggard, Grantham Israel
Nichols, Ralph Kenniston	Roach, James Vincent	Thomson, Arthur Dalliba
Nordhausen, Ernest Albert	Robinson, Edward Constant	Todd, James Hamilton
Noy, William H	Rodolph, Frank Bequette	Tubbs, Hiram
Osgood, Ernest	Ross, Harvey Lee	Twombly, Charles Henry
Palmer, Chas. Theo. Hart	Russell, Thomas Bartlett	Upham, Isaac
Palmer, Henry Austin	Rutherford, Charles Board'n	Veitch, William Thomas
Pardee, Enoch Homer	Schuller, Antonius	Wadsworth, Henry
Patterson, A. L. Crandall	Shaffer, Louis	Walton, Jesse
Patterson, Edw'd Mortimer	Shattuck, Francis Kittredge	Ward, Robert T
Patterson, George	Sherman, Edwin Allen	Warner, Franklin
Payne, Frank Howard	Shiman, John Louis	Watson, William Callaghan
Perkins, George Clement	Shorey, Albert	Weilbye, Julius Lars
Phillips, John Waterman	Siegfried, John Christian	Weilbye, William Hansen
Pinkerton, Thomas Hamil	Skinner, Isaac Ash	Westover, Clinton
Plankett, James California	Smilie, Robert	Williams, John
Powell, Howell Aubrey	Smith, George Henry	Williams, Nicholas
Pratt, George Childs	Southard, William Freeman	Wilson, John Charles
Price, William Clay	Stewart, Robert	Wilson, William
Prouse, Charles	Stephenson, John Calvin	Wines, Charles Latham
Rasmussen, Hans	Stone, Andrew L	Winchester, Ebenezer
Raymond, Charles Seward	Stone, Egbert Barker	Wonderlich, John Peter
Redding, Albert Putnam		—233.

MARK MASTER:

Parrish, William Henry—1.

RESTORED:

Stewart, James Thompson Marr, Archibald Campbell Marsellus, Edwin P—3.

WITHDRAWN:

Stewart, James Thompson Curby, Clarence Edgar Rowe, Albert—3.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Davis, Charles William Davies, John Meredith Outler, Chester Guild—3.

DIED:

Davis, Charles Edmund

Ingham, Oscar Solomon—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	223	Withdrawn	3
Exalted.....	14	Suspended for non-paym't of dues	3
Affiliated	1	Died	2
Restored	3—241.	Now borne upon the roll.....	233—241.

SILOAM CHAPTER, No. 37.

Colfax, Placer County.

Stated Meetings, second and fourth Tuesdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

Jacob Hart Neff, <i>High Priest</i> ,	James Barrows Hayford, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
John Butler, <i>King</i> ,	Seland Oadjew, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Joseph Spencer Quire, <i>Scribe</i> ,	John Dysart, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Leopold Lobner, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Peter Lohman, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Morris Lobner, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Swift Makins, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Darius Ingersoll, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	William Mandeville Baker, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Jacob Hart Neff, <i>P. G. H. P.</i> ,	Joseph Spencer Quire,	Morris Lobner.
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ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Boden, Thomas	Heuser, George Henry	Rabe, August Louis
Oahill, Thomas	Johnson, Gustavus Adolphus	Robie, Ira Allen
Cloudman, Octavius King	King, Thornton	Rogers, Joseph
Coffin, Isaac Tibbitts	Lakamp, John Henry	Schmidt, Georg Wilhelm
Davis, Abraham	Maginn, Patrick Henry	Swenson, Samuel Edward
Disque, Henry	Nichols, Thomas Jefferson	Tolman, Rufus Jenkins
Ells, Henry	Perkins, William Stickney	Voss, Louis—34.
Hayford, William Barrows		

DIED:

Osborn, Robert Smith—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....33—35.	Died.....1
	Now borne upon the roll.....34—35.

SANTA CRUZ CHAPTER, No. 38.

Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz County.

Stated Meetings, second and fourth Wednesdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

Thompson Wilson Drullard, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Peter Richmond Hinds, <i>Pr. Sojourner</i> ,
Frank George Menefee, <i>King</i> ,	Cather Drummond Folsom, <i>R. A. Captain</i> ,
John Thomas Sullivan, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Edward Swift West, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Samuel Arnold Bartlett, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Lawrence Lorenzen, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
William Henry Blas, <i>Secretary</i> ,	George Staffier, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Bernard Wise, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Antone Christofanini, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Peter Richmond Hinds,	Louis Schwartz,	William W Gamble.
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ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Adams, Edward Francis	Dutton, James Lewis	Mathews, Theodore Vinton
Basey, John Clinton	Effey, Robert	McKiernan, Charles
Baxter, John James	Ely, William	Porter, William Ray
Chace, Robert Rufus	Fagan, Pierce Bye	Russell, William
Chamberlain, Philander	Fitch, Edwin	Thompson, Richard
Coope, John Frederick	Fast, John Henry Adolph	Vass, George
Daubenbiss, John	Gilchrist, Adam	Willey, Henry
Drennan, Samuel	Kron, Henry Frederick	Williams, Edward Lawrence
Dutton, James Marshall	Lincoln, Charles Henry	40.

DIED:

Chace, John Day

Groom, Thomas Brooks—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report	38	Died	2
Affiliated	4—42	Now borne upon the roll	40—42.

DONNER CHAPTER, No. 39.

Truckee, Nevada County.

Stated Meetings, first and third Mondays in each month.

OFFICERS:

William Harrison Prouty, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Joseph Dearborn Hilton, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
William Henry Kruger, <i>King</i> ,	John Joseph McDonald, <i>R. A. Captain</i> ,
Thomas Byron Whitney, <i>Scribe</i> ,	James Wellington Hoy, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
George Schaffer, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Samuel Parker, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Charles Fayette McGlashan, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Hogan Johnson, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Frank Lytle Thirkield, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	William Henry Hill, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Charles Fayette McGlashan,	Elfr Ellen,	Joseph Marzen, Jr.
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ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Adolph, Julius	Growling, Joseph	Pendleton, John William
Bachelder, Jesse Howard	Hutchinson, John T	Richardson, Geo. Washington
Bernardi, Julius De	Lewison, Jacob Lewis	Richardson, Warren
Champion, Francis	Meloche, Frank Tancred	Weed, Abner
Dunn, Henry George	Millberg, George Skiffenton	Wood, George
Dunster, George William	Miller, Howard Philips	Young, Samuel Alexander
Graham, Andrew Jackson	Noyes, John	Young, Lamertine Wilson

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RESTORED:

Richardson, George Washington

Shinn, William Joab—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Bittancourt, Thomas Maria	Roberts, Hiram Whitehead	Shinn, William Joab—3.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Berg, Aaron	Cullen, Thomas	Luxemburger, Michael
Buckland, Wallace Oscar	Davis, Jonathan	Nichols, Albert S
Chandler, Russell Hunter	Joesink, Bernardus Hend's	Trott, Charles Cornelius—9.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....36	Withdrawn.....3
Exalted.....7	Susp. for non-payment of dues..9
Affiliated.....2	Now borne upon the roll.....35—47.
Restored 2—47.	

RED BLUFF CHAPTER, No. 40.

Red Bluff, Tehama County.

Stated Meetings, first and third Saturdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

Nathaniel Merrill, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Robert Hurd Blossom, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
Solomon David Schoenfeld, <i>King</i> ,	Henry Charles Richart, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
Sidney Allen Griggs, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Sylvanus Everett Murphy, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
William Brower Cahoon, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Henry Erasmus Bidwell, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Jacob Haney Epperson, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Ancil Brown, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Guy Horatio Chase, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Samuel Lewis, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

John Clements,	Nathan Crocker,	Nathaniel Merrill.
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ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Alexander, Charles Graham	Fish, Charles Erskine	Rawson, Hiram Allen
Alvord, Charles Theodore	Foster, Charles Frederick	Roberts, James Bartle
Ballard, Curtis Durkee	Fowle, Cyrus Daniel	Ryan, Thomas R
Barham, James Louis	Gedney, David Wetmore	Schroeder, Ang. G. Barnhart
Bierce, Roderick Henry	Healey, Lucien Bonaparte	Schoenfeld, Jeremiah
Boole, Frank Arthor	Houghton, Francis	Schubert, Eugene Washingt'n
Bratten, John Michael	Howell, Thomas Newton	Skedd, William Richard
Brown, Augustus Frank	Jelly, Frank Lee	Stout, George Homer
Cameron, James Strong	Johnson, John Meyer	Swain, Theodore Slevin
Campbell, Charles Abijah	Kimball, Gorham Gates	Thompson, Joseph Moore
Campbell, Remembrance H.	Mayhew, Horace Allen	Tyler, Jonathan Cooper
Champlin, George	McCoy, Leo Lewis	Vestal, George Wems
Champlin, Lester	Montgomery, Will Thomas	Ward, Ephraim Harlow
Coffman, Pelham Howard	Nethercott, Robert	West, John M
Culverwell, Richard Steven	Olmstead, Myron	Wiendieck, Herman Henry
DeHaven, Jos. Lapsley G'd	Parent, Charles Edwin	Willard, George Kettridge
Duhig, Louis James	Peden, Albert Oliver	Wilson, Henry Clay
Eddy, William	Poulet, Eduard	Wilson, Henry Freeborn
Ellison, John F	Puls, George	Winsel, Eli Achum—73.
Elmore, Robert Hoyle	Radcliff, Osmond	

WITHDRAWN:

Graupner, Louis Carl

Posner, Max—2.

DIED:

Carden, Patrick Lynett

Kingsley, George Leeman

Lee, Bruce Benjamin—3.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....74	Withdrawn..... 2
Exalted 4—78.	Died..... 3
	Now borne upon the roll.....73—78.

TEMPLE CHAPTER, No. 41.

Watsonville, Santa Cruz County.

Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

James Martin Rodgers, <i>High Priest</i> ,	William George Hudson, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
John Herbert McEwen, <i>King</i> ,	Edgar Lewis Clark, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Hans Peter Brassel, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Bela Sargent Andrews, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Alexander Lewis, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	George Arthur Trafton, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
George Wellington Sill, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Michael Gagnon, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
James Waters, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Henry Edgar West, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

James Martin Rodgers,	William George Hudson,	John Nelson Besse.
James Waters,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Bixby, Aaron William	Linscott, James Austin	Porter, John Thomas
Brewington, Geo. Hamilton	Lubbock, Clinton Henry	Porter, Warren Reynolds
Chalmers, Andrew Barker	Mauk, Franklin Edwin	Rodgers, William Donelson
Fowler, Charles	McCoy, William Perry	Rea, James William
Greenbaum, William	Moffatt, Thomas	Rea, Samuel
Herold, Adam	Morris, Moses	Seaman, George
Hurah, George Washington	Mynatt, Elvin Farran	Storm, Peter
Ingham, James	Phelan, Martin	Trafton, John Edmund
Johnson, Lyman Beard	Pine, Charles Andrew	Wangerin, Joseph David
Kilburn, Frederick Augustus		—41.

WITHDRAWN:

Holst, Gerhard Tonsberg—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Aldrich, David Metcalf	Craig, Andrew	Scruggs, Frederick William
Brown, John Bernard	Landrum, William Merriman	—5.

DIED:

Atkins, Joseph—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....44	Withdrawn..... 1
Exalted 3	Susp. for non-payment of dues.. 5
Affiliated..... 1—48.	Died..... 1
	Now borne upon the roll.....41—48.

CHICO CHAPTER, No. 42.

Chico, Butte County.

Stated Meetings, second and fourth Mondays in each month.

OFFICERS:

Samuel Hunter Montgomery, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Edward Tillotson Reynolds, <i>Prin. Sefner</i>
Cyrus Greenleaf Warren, <i>King</i> ,	William Henry Miller, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
Engene Erastus Canfield, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Wesley Stockwell Eliot, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Charles Faulkner, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thomas Bicknell, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Robert Emmet Warren, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Wm. Simpson Brice Wilson, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
William Thomas, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	James Madison Dugger, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Robert Emmet Warren,	John Rose Robinson,	Edward Tillotson Reynolds.
Charles Faulkner,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Appelgate, William James	Graves, Fountain Columbus	Papst, Albert
Barnard, Timothy Henry	Gynn, Pleasant Marion	Papst, Charles James
Batchelder, Hiram Treat	Hansen, Lauritz	Patterson, Jacob
Bell, Hugh Thomas	Hartford, John William	Peake, William Humphrey
Boucher, Josiah	Haughton, Jos. Richardson	Reavis, William Andrew
Boucher, Josiah, Jr.	Hibbard, Albert A	Ryant, Isaac Whittemore
Boydston, James Knox Polk	Jones, Samuel	Schulze, Oscar Carl
Bradley, William Leroy	King, William Duncan	Schooler, William Henry
Carney, George Washington	Lausen, Henry Dattief	Shand, George
Chapman, Augustus Harley	Linn, W Birney	Snowden, James William
Clark, Oliver Lovell	Lothrop, Matthew Hale	Stansbury, Oscar
Crew, Alexander Hill	Mack, William Edwin	Steuben, Henry William
Cussick, Barney	March, Jefferson Davis	Stevens, Warren Charles
Davison, James	McFadyen, Archibald	Turner, John Calvin
Dawson, Ezra Robert	McIntosh, Louis Harrison	Weston, Jubal
Durham, Wm. Wellington	Mitchell, James Ewing	Wessman, John August
Evans, Aaron	Montgomery, J.W. Bradford	Wetherbee, Ira Alston
Evans, Sylvester Kirkwood	Montgomery, Park	White, Harry Darius
Freeman, Frank	Morrissey, Thomas Francis	Williams, John Harvey—72.
Garner, John Mortimer	Ormsby, John McQuade	

WITHDRAWN:

McIntosh, James Thomas—1.

EXCLUDED:

Decker, James Madison

McIntosh, George Louis—2.

DIED:

Pond, Charles Lewis

Walraven, Garret Wells—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....74	Withdrawn.....	1
Exalted 3—77.	Excluded.....	2
	Died	2
	Now borne upon the roll..	72—77.

SOLANO CHAPTER, No. 43.**Suisun, Solano County.***Stated Meetings, first Saturday succeeding Full Moon in each month.***OFFICERS:**

William Wolf, <i>High Priest,</i>	Edgar Ernest Long, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
William Wynn Redman Reeves, <i>King,</i>	Albert Alexander Dickie, <i>R. A. Captain,</i>
Jerome Bonaparte Richardson, <i>Scribe,</i>	John Adam Metzler, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Eben Dorman Perkins, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Jacob Henry Bauman, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Abraham Farr Hitchcock, <i>Secretary,</i>	Jas. Wm. Bryson Reynolds, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Freeman Hunnewell, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	William Gustavus Davisson, <i>Guard,</i>

Past High Priests:

Stephen Kirby Nurse,	Allen Charles Miller,	Freeman Hunnewell,
Joseph Fairbanks Wendell,	Eben Dorman Perkins,	Albert Levi Reed,
Jerome Bonaparte Richardson,	Albert Alexander Dickie,	William Wolf.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Blum, Jacob	Fraser, John Robert	Reeves, Columbus Palestine
Bronson, Howard Cuyler	Frank, Ferdinand	Robbins, Ruel Drinkwater
Brown, William Burrell	Gates, James Walker	Robinson, John
Buck, William Leonard	Hacke, Henry Frederick	Rush, Benjamin Franklin
Buck, Ingalls Kenney	Harris, Henry	Stewart, Edgar L
Capell, James Smith	Hatch, Anthony Timothy	Stewart, Samuel
Cerkel, Wolf	Henderson, Frederick Lewis	Stilt, James Warren
Cohn, Jacob	Hoyt, Julian Buel	Stephens, William Bell
Danielson, John	Kelly, Kirk Etna	Stevenson, Andrew Vincent
Dellinger, Ambrose Craig	Leithead, James	Stevenson, Charles Albert
Dinkelspiel, Morritz	Lowee, Charles Henry	Tomassini, Guelno
Dobbins, Oscar P	Miller, Meredith Rains	Weinberger, Marcus
Downing, William Green	Oberli, Joseph	Wilson, Thomas Stanley
Emigh, Thomas Powell	Okell, Edward Joseph	Woods, John—60.
Eversole, Henry	Parker, William Boyd	

WITHDRAWN:

Brown, James Benjamin	McCreary, Daniel	Charles, Abner Elias—3.
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RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....57	Withdrawn..... 3
Exalted..... 3	Now borne upon the roll.....60—63,
Affiliated..... 3—63.	

VISALIA CHAPTER, No. 44.**Visalia, Tulare County.***Stated Meetings, fourth Saturday in each month.***OFFICERS :**

William B Wallace, <i>High Priest,</i>	Joseph Clarence Ward, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
Christian Hausch, <i>King,</i>	Edward Erastus McVeagh, <i>R. A. Captain,</i>
Edward McDonald Graham, <i>Scribe,</i>	Edmund Jones Fudge, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
James Edward Denny, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Edward Harrison Miles, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
David Oscar Anderson, <i>Secretary,</i>	John Francis Jordan, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Robert Chidley Broder, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Freedom Moulton Rice, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Robert Chidley Broder,	Joseph Clarence Ward,	Charles Henry Murphy.
Richard Hubbard Stevens,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Arick, Rufus Ellis	Goodman, Joseph	Pease, Edwin R
Bacigalupi, Theodore	Guggenheim, Leon	Pogue, James Wm. Center
Blakely, Francis Algene	Hackett, Henry	Preston, Charles Welcome
Bowhay, Jasper Newton	Hall, Albon Eugene	Quinn, Harry
Branke, Robert	Hammond, William Hall	Rockwell, Lorenzo Anson
Brower, Celsus	Hockett, John Benjamin	Russell, John Cowan
Camp, William Henry	Holland, Laurens Thomas	Shore, Gilbert Edward
Chatten, Richard	Jones, John Simeon	Smith, George Washington
Cranston, Floyd Cole	Lovelace, Lemuel Moreland	Smith, Seth
Creighton, Thomas	McJunkin, Joseph Talbot	Tracy, Peraus Sprague
Crowley, Green Berry	Melone, John Henry	Tuohy, John
Dowdle, John Philip	Nathan, Herman	Tuxberry, William Dwight
Freeman, Robert L	Nathan, Louis David	Walker, David Edward
Gilroy, Launcelot	Nelson, William Dennis	Warner, Frederick Appleton
Glasscock, Alpha Hayden	Parker, Jeremiah	Wells, Morgan James
Goad, John Cornelius	Parker, George Alvia	Woods, Ezekiel Wil'm'n Smith

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MOST EXCELLENT MASTERS:

Brown, Charles Rose	Musgrave, Robert William—2.
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RESTORED:

Johnson, Oscar Stephanus	Goad, John Cornelius—2.
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WITHDRAWN:

Johnson, Oscar Stephanus—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Chatter, Thomas Alexander—1.

EXPELLED:

* Brownstone, David—1.

DIED:

Rochford, Thomas—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report..... 60	Withdrawn..... 1
Exalted..... 2	Susp. for non-payment of dues... 1
Affiliated..... 1	Died..... 1
Restored..... 2—65.	Now borne upon the roll... 62—65.

* Reported suspended last year.

SANTA ROSA CHAPTER, No. 45,**Santa Rosa, Sonoma County.***Stated Meetings, first Friday in each month.***OFFICERS :**

George Anderson Tupper, <i>High Priest,</i>	Duncan E McKinlay, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
Allan Bryant, <i>King,</i>	Charles Martin Bumbaugh, <i>R. A. Captain,</i>
Allen Bosley Lemmon, <i>Scribe,</i>	John Ross, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Milo Smith Davis, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Peter Nicholas Stofen, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Charles Augustus Hoffer, <i>Secretary,</i>	James Kenneth Piggott, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Henry J Ross, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Winslow Simon Hosmer, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Robert Press Smith, Jr.,	Christopher Columbus Farmer,	Edward Walker Davis,
Augustus Leander Fisher,	Henry J Ross,	Hiram Lewis Tripp,
John Ripley Wright,	Alex. Douglas Laughlin,	Walter Clifford Good.
Allison Burr Ware,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Allen, Samuel Irwin	Harris, Jacob	Murphy, Wyman
Allison, Peter	Henry, James	Nelson, William Clark
Anderson, Thos. Hart Bent'n	Highly, William	Oakes, George William
Appleton, Wellington	Hodgson, William Henry	Overton, Albert Perry
Barnett, Joel Dwight	Hoover, Abram	Page, Charles Albert
Baxter, Thomas Phipps	Hoover, John	Parks, David Harrison
Bell, James Shadrach	Howell, Louis Vanburg H.	Phelps, Charles Lorraine
Berka, Frank	Howell, Orrin	Phillips, Walter
Berks, John	Hughes, John	Prindle, William
Box, James Allen	Hunt, William Jesse	Roney, James Madison
Brown, Alexander	Hutchinson, Samuel	Simmons, Leeson Gaskill
Bruegge, Herman Frederick	Ink, Walter Payne	Sparks, George Washington
Buckland, Leonard Harrison	Johnson, Andrew	Speller, George
Burger, Calvin Hayden	Johnson, George Asbury	Spencer, Byron M
Burris, David	Kerridge, Frederick John	Steadman, Welcome Judson
Burris, Luther William	Korbel, Antone Francis	Stites, Alexander Hill
Byrne, John Carlton	Label, Herman	Stone, Nathan Jonas
Caldwell, Charles Young	Laughlin, John Mac	Straney, Francis Marion
Clark, Frederick Longworth	Long, Isaac	Swett, Frank Hervey
Crowder, Henry Crawford	Loomis, Frank Olemens	Taylor, John Shackelford
Dana, Alfred Wadsworth	Ludwig, Thomas Jefferson	Tucker, Henry Thompson
Doggett, William Jordan	Mailer, James Clark	Vanderhoff, Martin VanBuren
Dohn, George Ernest	Matthews, Albert Fletcher	Van Doren, William Henry
Dunbar, John	McConnell, William Elliot	Walker, John
Fountain, Orlando	McConochie, Robert	Warboys, John Walter
French, John Henry	McDonald, Mark L	Warner, James Judson
Fulkerson, Theodorus S.	McFayden, Allen	Wescoatt, Jonas
Gannon, James	McMinn, John	Wilton, Thomas Garrett
Goodfellow, John	Mills, Emory Temple	Wood, Benjamin Seawell
Green, Paul Franklin	Montgomery, William	Wright, Augustus Sylvanus
Grindle, Joshua	Moral, Nathan	Wright, James California
Guerne, George Emil	Morris, Henry Bullen	Young, Bird Sidney
Halling, Fredric	Murdock, Lewis Anthony	Young, Michael—121.
Hardin, Chas. Henry Edwin		

RESTORED:

French, John Henry—1.

WITHDRAWN:Glynn, Francis Jerome Bonaparte Hall, Lewellyn Scott, George Washington—4.
Hall, Clarence Conway**DIED:**

Seegelken, Ernest August—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....123	Withdrawn..... 4
Affiliated..... 2	Died..... 1
Restored..... 1—126.	New borne upon the roll.....121—126.

WOODLAND CHAPTER, No. 46.

Woodland, Yolo County.

*Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Loron Warren Hilliker, <i>High Priest</i> ,	John Lowrey Simpson, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
Donald Fraser, <i>King</i> ,	Andrew Carlisle Kean, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
Franklin Sylvester Freeman, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Temple Perrin Magee, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
John Dickson Stephens, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Frederick Miller, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
James Kerson Smith, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Calvert Williams, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Francis Ellsworth Baker, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	Edward Glendenning, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Donald Fraser,	John Lowrey Simpson,	Loron Warren Hilliker.
Francis Ellsworth Baker,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Adams, Levi Brandon	Dresbach, William	Houx, David Franklin
Blowers, Russell Bigelow	Ely, Isaac Jefferson	Howard, Stephen A
Bower, John Guster	Frederick, John George	Hurlbut, George Rogers
Brown, Elijah William	Freeman, John Watts	Kennedy, John
Charmak, Louis	Frost, Charles Stincken	Lowry, John William
Cohen, William	Gable, Amos William	Marden, William Harrison
Coil, Le Roy	Gable, Harvey Clinton	Rahm, Francis Marion
Craig, Thornton	Garey, George Jones	Rodolph, Godfrey
Cramer, Lewis	Goodin, Thomas Clinton	Taylor, James Thomas
Davisson, Benj. Franklin	Guthrie, Thomas Walker	Winne, William Henry
Day, Charles Granville	Harling, Micajah Oglesby	Woodard, Geo. Washington
Diggs, David Pitt	Hill, Henry Abraham	Young, Joseph Garnet—48.

MOST EXCELLENT MASTER:

Grim, William Everett—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Holcom, Willie Dennison—1.

DIED:

Hurlbut, Daniel Bradley	Davis, Charles Henry	Wyckoff, Nicholas—3.
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RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....61	Withdrawn... .. 1
Affiliated..... 1—62.	Died..... 3
	Now borne upon the roll.....48—52.

LASSEN CHAPTER, No. 47.**Susanville, Lassen County.***Stated Meetings, second Saturday after Full Moon in each month.***OFFICERS:**

William Brockman, <i>High Priest,</i>	Morris Asher, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
Frederick Hines, <i>King,</i>	Edmond Robert Dodge, <i>Royal Arch Capt.,</i>
Eber Gaston Bangham, <i>Scribe,</i>	William Henry Hall, <i>Master 3d Val,</i>
Lyman Collins Stiles, <i>Treasurer,</i>	John Cahlan, <i>Master 2d Val,</i>
Wright Patrick Hall, <i>Secretary,</i>	Noble Samuel McKinsey, <i>Master 1st Val,</i>
Julian Eugene Pardee, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	James Branham, <i>Guard.</i>

Fast High Priests:

John Ranshaw Lockwood,	Phillip Jacob Goumaz,	William David Minckler,
Eber Gaston Bangham,	James Branham,	William Brockman.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Alexander, Abraham	Marker, John Hansen	Pullen, Granville
Alexander, Jules	Maaten, William Thomas	Ripley, Charles Jackson
Bereman, Henry	Maxwell, Jefferson Houston	Santee, Milton
Bobo, Benjamin Franklin	McDow, Lafayette Decatur	Sharp, James Porter
Bailey, Ira Eugene	McGill, Robert Leslie	Sheldon, Benjamin Franklin
Orane, William Henry	McKenzie, Alex. Archibald	Smith, Albert Augustus
Cramer, Daniel	McKenzie, Donald William	Smith, Isaac Wright
Grant, Alexander	McKissick, Jacob	Snyder, Henry
Hathaway, Hiram Jackson	Miller, Andrew	Spalding, Zetus Newell
Hendrick, James Wesley	Moon, Abraham Gillette	Stoll, Charles Michael
Hyer, David Campbell	Morgan, Charles Henry	Talbot, Enoch Stanwood
Kingsbury, William Charles	Otto, Anthony	Williams, Eugene Albert
Knoch, Davis	Otto, Fred	Winchell, Hiram—58.
Kruger, Frank	Pierce, George Strunk	

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Kelley, John Davis—1.

DIED:

Babcock, Charles Marsh

Wood, Allen—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....51	Susp. for non-payment of dues. . . 1
Exalted..... 4	Died..... 2
Amiliated..... 4—59.	Now borne upon the roll..... 56—59.

DIXON CHAPTER, No. 48.

Dixon, Solano County.

Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS:

John William McFadyen, <i>High Priest</i> ,	William Henry Garnett, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
Jonathan Merritt Dudley, <i>King</i> ,	John Devano Grady, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
John Burnett Yount, <i>Scribe</i> ,	George Ulsteen, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
John Henry Rice, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Elmer Elsworth Nudd, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
James Edwin Apperson, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Joseph Kline, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
William Henry Wells, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Henry Ewalt McCune, <i>Chaplain</i> ,
-----, <i>Guard</i> .	

Past High Priests:

John Sweany,	George Churchill McKinley,	William Henry Wells,
Herman Eppinger,	Jonathan Merritt Dudley,	John William McFadyen.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Abbey, John Alexander	Ettlinger, Bernhard	Klayes, Frederick
Aiken, Perly Johnson	Ferguson, Wm. Redmond	Madden, John Rightmire
Agee, Charles Frederick	Frasler, Gilbert	Martin, James Philip
Agee, Christoph'r Columbus	Garnett, James Sinclair	McCune, Joseph Henry
Baker, Roland Thomas	Gates, Thomas Milton	Morrison, Robert
Baker, William	Gordon, Melvin Barnes	Ross, Henry Jackson
Bullard, William Green	Gould, Eugene Henry	Russell, Francis Exaria
Clark, Calvin Crawford	Heuer, John Henry	Simms, William
Craig, Frederick	Hillman, Arthur Constantine	Stephens, Robt. Edmond Lee
Currey, Montgomery Scott	Ireland, Elias	Thompson, George
Donoho, Charles Cambridge	Job, Charles Edward	Tyler, Elias Mortimer
Downs, George McClellan	Johnson, James Otis	Wolfakill, Edward
Englehart, Edmond Johnson	Kelly, Benjamin Franklin	Yount, George Walter—56.
Enos, William Sessions	Killebrew, William	

PAST MASTERS:

Frahm, Claus

Neilson, Ole—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Bishop, Orlando Lusk—1.

DIED:

Gregory, Thomas Meredith

Summers, Andrew Good—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....53	Withdrawn.....1
Exalted.....6—59.	Died.....2
	Now borne upon the roll.....56—59.

MODESTO CHAPTER, No. 49.*Modesto, Stanislaus County.**Stated Meetings, second Thursday in each month.***OFFICERS :**

Andrew Robertson Jamison, <i>High Priest,</i>	Robert Elder, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
Walter Benjamin Wood, <i>King,</i>	George Russell Stoddard, <i>Royal Arch Capt.,</i>
Guy Kilburn, <i>Scribe,</i>	Frederick Henry Zander, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Julius Dettelbach, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Hopkins Tinney Shirley, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
John Edward Ward, <i>Secretary,</i>	Thomas Kennan Beard, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Frank Albert Cressey, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Henry Vogelmann, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Elihu Burritt Beard,	Adolphus Hewel,	Gilbert Paul Ostrom.
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ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Alexander, John Stewart	Haalacher, Jacob	Root, Milton Burdette
Bartch, Frederick	Kahn, Louis	Stewart, Alexander
Bledsoe, Willis	Klehn, Henry	Thomas, Richard Henry
Crow, Charles Lewis	Lawrence, George	Tuggle, William Harrison
Dalby, Samuel Price	Melnecke, Frederick	Tulloch, John William
Davis, Frank Collins	Newsom, John Moore	Weyer, Frederick
DeHart, John	Purvis, Richard Benjamin	Wright, Christ'p'r Columbus
Dorsey, Caleb	Richardson, Thomas	Yancey, Thomas Grayson
Fortune, James Pulaaki	Riggs, John Stewart	Young, John Phillips
Hall, William Wheeler	Ripperdan, Isaac	Zimdars, Otto Ernest—48.
Hayter, Abram La Fayette		

WITHDRAWN :

Braun, Michael—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Barkett, Alexander	Booth, James Godfrey	James, Henry George—8.
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RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....46	Withdrawn..... 1
Exalted..... 4—50.	Susp. for non-payment of dues..... 8
	Now borne upon the roll.....46—50.

VENTURA CHAPTER, No. 50.*San Buenaventura, Ventura County.**Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon in each month.***OFFICERS :**

James Walker, <i>High Priest,</i>	Marion Cannon, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
John Stevenson Collins, <i>King,</i>	Joseph M Kaiser, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
James Allen Day, <i>Scribe,</i>	Truman B. Goshell, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Elwin Seth Hall, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Edward Taylor Hare, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Nehemiah Blackstock, <i>Secretary,</i>	Richard Cox, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Kenneth Peter Grant, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Theodore Todd, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Lemuel Clark McKeeby,
Eugene Preston Foster,

James Allen Day,
Kenneth Peter Grant,

Edward Taylor Hare.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Bard, Cephas Little
Bard, Thomas Robert
Benchley, Edward Kellogg
Blanchard, Nathan Weston
Brooks, James Marion
Chaffee, Walter Scott
Chrisman, Gilpin Wallace

Clemmens, Andrew
Eastin, Lafayette Findla
Ely, Martin Judah
Finney, Charles Grandison
Gilbert, Geo. Shoebr'ge, Jr.
Knighten, William Amon

Metcalf, Charles Wesley
Robinson, Chr'ph'r Maxwell
Simpson, Volney Alexander
Smith, Alvin Billings
Witherill, Rufus Henry
Wolf, Moise Lazard—33.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report 30 Now borne upon the roll 33.
Affiliated..... 3—33.

CORINTHIAN CHAPTER, No. 51.

Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara County.

Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS:

John N Hiller, *High Priest*,
John Delos Peer, *King*,
Eli Rundell, *Scribe*,
John Peck Stearns, *Treasurer*,
Alfred Bascom Williams, *Secretary*,
Edward Gardner Dodge, *Capt. of the Host*, Daniel Moyer, *Guard*.

Oliver Perry Squier, *Pr. Sojourner*,
James Henry Austin, *R. A. Captain*,
Charles Henry Kelton, *Master 3d Vail*,
Frank Adelbert Conant, *Master 2d Vail*,
William Preston Butcher, *Master 1st Vail*.

Past High Priests:

John Peck Stearns,
George Edward Childs,
Benjamin Franklin Thomas,

John Delos Peer,
Clarence Henry Frink,

Rollin Dunshee,
John N Hiller.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Andrews, James Henry
Barker, James Lawrence
Broughton, Robert John
Daniels, Thomas Payne
Dimock, Harry Clinton
Eddleman, Jacob Joshua
Faber, George
Fernald, Charles
Garretson, J. McCullough
Gourley, Eliakim Tupper

Hardy, Albert Perham
Hatch, David Patterson
Hawley, Walter Augustus
Hayman, Albert
Higbee, Charles James
Hill, Jesse
Laughlin, Henry James
Linquest, August Ludwek
Macfarlane, James Clarke
Mathis, Jacob Alvin

Norway, William Henry
Paddock, Edgar Luzerne
Rogers, Herbert Augustine
Storke, Charles Albert
Todd, Alexander Brunt
Whitaker, James Gilmore
Wilson, Albert Calhoun Jos.
Wilson, Jerome Calvin
Yates, Lorenzo Gordon—45.

PAST MASTER:

Enis, Foston—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Bardick, Jonathan Henry Peck, Wright Hunt Shotwell, Marcus Aventus—5.
Olmstead, Stephen Hart Scharlin, John Aaron

DIED:

Babcock, Leonard—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....50 Susp. for non-payment of dues..... 5
Affiliated..... 1—51. Died 1
Now borne upon the roll.....45—51.

HUMBOLDT CHAPTER, No. 52.

Humboldt, Eureka County.

Stated Meetings, second Monday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Thomas Barnes Cutler, *High Priest*, Louis Persons, *Principal Sojourner*,
Lewis Buoncore Kingsbury, *King*, David Kennedy Benfro, *Royal Arch Capt.*,
James Franklin Thompson, *Scribe*, John Marvin Melendy, *Master 3d Vail*,
James William Henderson, *Treasurer*, Robert Copland, *Master 2d Vail*,
Albert De Forest Hetfield, *Secretary*, John Frederick McGeorge, *Master 1st Vail*,
Emery Jonathan Chapman, *Capt. of Host*, William Daniel McKay, *Guard*.

Fast High Priests:

Thomas Blakwell, Joseph Dibble Hoyt Chamberlin, Thomas Barnes Cutler.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Anderson, Andrew William	Graeter, Luther Drury	Pine, Safford Fay
Barnard, James Edwin	Graham, John George	Powell, Robert Baldwin
Baylor, Daniel	Greenwald, Julius	Robarts, James Thomas
Beckwith, Frank Walter	Haensel, Julius Heinrich Gus	Roberts, Melvin Parker
Bigelow, Charles Edwin	Hamilton, John	Ross, Andrew Walker
Bonfield, Samuel	Hanna, William Patterson	Ross, James
Borg, Edward Nelson	Hart, Plummer Frederick	Russ, Ira Alonso
Brown, Thomas McGinnis	Harpst, Charles Isaiah	Ryan, John Walter
Bryce, William	Hetherington, John, Jr.	Rice, Louis
Buck, Silas Montgomery	Hill, Randle	Sherburne, Benjamin F
Bull, John Clark, Jr.	Howard, Clarence M. Leig'n	Sevier, Ernest
Campbell, Alexander	Howatt, James College Pope	Sherwood, Edgar Dudley
Carson, Charles Alexander	Hutchins, Robert Walker	Siedell, Arthur Charles
Carson, George	Jackson, Harry Woodville	Sinclair, John Archibald
Clark, John Gordon	Keene, George Hamilton	Smith, James L
Clark, Robert Dale	Langford, Thomas	Stoessiger, Julius Theodore
Clyborne, W Frank	Maurer, John Lester	Stone, Wesley W
Cutler, Thomas	McCullins, David	Swanger, Samuel Adams
Davies, Jasper Newton	McKay, Richard	Thompson, Hiram Freeman
Dinkelspiel, Adolph	McLeod, John	Thompson, Sidney William
Dinsmore, William	McNamara, William Jewett	Thomson, John Smith
Doe, Charles Albion	Nelson, Aaron Frederick	Trost, John Henry
Douglas, George Carlton	Noecker, Charles	Wentworth, Harris Barnes
Dunlap, David A	Ohman, Ignatius Joseph	Williams, George Frank
Emerson, Thomas Ruthven	Percy, Edwin Hudson	Wilson, Emet Wakeman
Gallo, John Thomas	Phillips, Edwin S	Zehndner, George—93.
Glennon, Patrick Joseph		

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report	79	Now borne upon the roll.....	92-93.
Exalted.....	11		
Affiliated.....	3-93.		

UKIAH CHAPTER, No. 53.

Ukiah, Mendocino County.

Stated Meetings, first and third Wednesdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

James Milton Mannon, <i>High Priest</i> ,	William Ross Elliot, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
George Washington Stout, <i>King</i> ,	Samuel Dihel Paxton, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Louis Taylor Day, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Charles Cunningham, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Samuel Wheeler, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Truman Kirkwood, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Carroll Henry Whitten, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Washington Irving Bailey, <i>Mas. 1st Vail</i> ,
Jay Ward Hendrix, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	Stonewall Jackson Holliday, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

John Wesley Jenkins,	Edward Warren King,	Jeremiah Henry Denohoe,
George McCowen,	William Watkins Cunningham,	William Isbell.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Abraham, Louis	Harbert, Lee L	Orr, James Henry
Ambrose, Charles Delos	Hatch, Hiram Treat	Packard, Charles Oscar
Babcock, Lyman Wilbert	Heeser, William	Proudford, William
Barker, John Henry	Henley, Whitcomb	Rawles, Thomas Edward
Bechtol, Albert George	Hirsch, Benoit Samuel	Reed, John Smith
Bransford, Walter Lee	Hoak, Elvin Newman	Salmon, George Washington
Boulon, Paul Amabel Leon	Hornbrook, Sanders	Seawell, John Henry
Carothers, Thomas Langley	Jarvis, Henry Herbert	Sleeper, Ed
Charlton, Thomas	Jourdon, Joseph Daniel	Singley, George Henry
Compton, Thos. Jefferson	Kilbourn, William Vincent	Smith, Martin Thomas
Dart, Frederick William	Kimball, Charles	Smith, Tracy Hubbard
De Camp, Clarence Eastman	Lane, John Crosby	Standley, Jeremiah M
Donohue, Edward John	Levey, Morris Frank	Tanner, Dennis
Forse, William Henry	Markle, Robert Bruce	Taylor, John
Foster, Jesse Valentine	Marks, Seymour	Thomas, Andrew Jackson
Gerber, August	Mathews, James Robert	Updegraff, Jacob
Graham, William Henry	McCowen, Hale	Wagenseller, Norton
Grey, Ninian Edward	McGarvey, Robert	Warren, Benjamin Franklin
Griggs, William Benjamin	McKay, Andrew	White, Clarence Ulmer
Hagans, Wallace Montg'ery	McPhee, George Sanford	Yell, Archibald
Hagans, William Anderson	Montague, Lemuel Davis	Zimmerman, William Tell
Hagenmeyer, Gebhard	Newfield, Marcus	—83.

MOST EXCELLENT MASTER:

Peabody, Henry A—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Barnes, Thomas Langley—1.

DIED:

Johnson, James Edward—1.

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report	77	Withdrawn.....	1
Exalted.....	4	Died	1
Affiliated.....	4-85.	Now borne upon the roll.....	83-85.

KEYSTONE CHAPTER, No. 56.**San Bernardino, San Bernardino County.***Stated Meetings, first Saturday after Full Moon in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Henry Aloysius Keller, <i>High Priest,</i>	Milford Byron Terrass, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
William Lloyd Garrison Soule, <i>King,</i>	Smith Cook Halle, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
George Lord, <i>Scribe,</i>	John Caleb King, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Lewis Jacobs, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Henry Florence Wagner, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Jeremiah Drake Onsterhout, <i>Secretary,</i>	George Benjamin Cole, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Thomas Jonathan Wilson, <i>Capt. of Host,</i>	Christian Kurtz, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Horace Cowen Rolfe,	Thomas Jonathan Wilson,	Wm. Lloyd Garrison Soule.
William Robt. Wiggins,	William Craig,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Andreson, John	Hook, John	McCullough, William Pinkey
Clark, Horace	Kelley, Joseph Day	Papenhausen, Henry
Daniels, Rensselaer Wilkin'n	Kennedy, Dennis Meade	Peacock, James Corbett
Davis, Milo Eugene	Kennedy, Robert James	Porter, William Robert
Downs, John Whitney	Knapp, Calvin Reason	Robinson, Henry Walter
Frankel, Samuel	Knox, John Thompson	Shaw, David Augustus
Gibson, James Alexander	Lawrence, Chas. Marshall	Storey, Warren
Harris, Jacob	Lloyd, Robert	Talmadge, Francis LeBarron
Hart, Alexander Hamilton		—40.

PAST MASTERS:

Hubbard, Anthony Gerhart	Morse, Arthur Perry—2.
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MARK MASTER:

Mann, James—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Porter, Olive William	Russell, Prior Smallwood—2.
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EXCLUDED:

Bergman, Jacob	Bright, Joseph Shannon	Burt, James Gardner—3.
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DIED:

Ball, Nelson Harlow—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....45	Withdrawn..... 2
Affiliated..... 1—46.	Excluded 3
	Died 1
	Now borne upon the roll.....40—46.

SIGNET CHAPTER, No. 57.

Los Angeles, Los Angeles County.

Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

George Mortimer Holton, <i>High Priest,</i>	James William Long, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
John Amos Kingsley, <i>King,</i>	Shailor Calver Dodge, <i>Royal Arch Capt.,</i>
August Wackerbarth, <i>Scribe,</i>	Solomon Iramcher Haas, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Tom Jeremiah Weldon, <i>Treasurer,</i>	James Cuzner, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Charles Otis Scott, <i>Secretary,</i>	Niles Pease, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Willard Fillmore Woodward, <i>O. of Host,</i>	John McIlmoil, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Robert Rufus Brown,	Charles Wilson Bush,	John Condit Haskell,
Rob. Gilmore Cunningham,	Julius Herbert Martin,	Henry Sayre Orme, <i>P.G.H.P.</i>
Leander Clement Goodwin,	Trowbridge Hyer Ward,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Ainsworth, Frank Kenley	Butler, Sidney Alcut	Ford, George Oscar
Alexander, Edmund Kimball	Campbell, Charles	Fordham, Milton Cephas
Alford, Chauncey Higby	Carr, Mathew	Fowler, Edwin Waring
Alles, Fred Lind	Carter, Julius Munson	Francis, John Wilson
Anderson, Horace Philip	Cass, Alonzo Beecher	Freeman, Edwin Herbert
Bair, Darius H	Chaffey, William Benjamin	Furrey, William Cobbett
Baldwin, Cornelius Vanoy	Chambers, William Dunbar	Gibson, Francis Asbury
Baldwin, Osmer Wheeler	Chamberlain, Marcus Phil'r	Glass, Henry
Bard, Hampus V	Childress, Wm. Townsend	Haines, Rufus Rowe
Barclay, David Eric	Church, William James	Hamilton, Albert Newell
Bech, Samuel James	Clark, Charles Hardenburg	Hamlin, Daniel W
Bell, Charles	Clifford, Emmett Flye	Hathaway, Harry Richard
Bell, Jas. Edgar Stevenson	Clippenger, Isaac Meason	Hartup, Edmund
Bell, James George	Cochran, William George	Hay, James
Beyrle, Robert	Conklin, Hiram Hedges	Hayes, Louis Alexander
Bicknell, John Dustin	Cooper, Henry Hill	Heartt, Charles Lawrence
Biscailuz, Martin Vincent	Cowan, John	Hellman, Isaias Wolf
Boal, Robert Hughes	Crank, James Fillmore	Hellman, Herman Wolf
Bonsall, William Henry	Crawford, John H	Henderson, Wm. Hutchinson
Bonyng, Walter Alfred	Davis, George Henry	Hoffman, John Kay
Boring, William Alciphron	Dean, John James	Hopkins, Fred Beach
Bosbyshell, Edw. Christian	De Witt, Andrew Jackson	House, Melancthon
Branch, John Franklin	Donnell, John Alexander	House, Radcliff Frank
Bray, Arthur	Dowling, James Nelson	Howe, Alvin Jared
Breed, Levi Newton	Drought, Robert	Hubbard, Albert Allen
Brodbeck, Otto	Dunsmoor, Charles Henry	Humphreys, Chas. Harkness
Brousseau, Julius	Durgin, Walter Clement	Hunt, James Shelly
Brown, Albert	Eddy, Frank Cowan	Jacobsen, Christian Fred'k
Bullis, Omri	Ellis, James	Jawett, Stanley Punchardon
Burbank, David	Eador, William Henry	Johnston, John Milton
Burns, John	Ferguson, William	Jordan, Franklin
Burr, William Anthony	Field, Daniel Webster	Joy, Duane Francisco
Burr, William Orange	Fisher, Charles Locke	Judson, Edw. Steaubt Maggie

Kenny, Robert Wolfenden	Mullard, Richard Thomas	Sheldon, Willard M
Knickerbocker, Niles	Murphy, William Warren	Shinn, William Hollis
Koepfle, Joseph O	Murray, Nelson Henry	Shriver, Levi Perry
Knabach, Christian John	Newhart, Daniel, Jr.	Shorb, Andrew Stephen
Kuhrts, Jacob	Ogsburg, George	Slocum, Albert Gardiner
Lamb, Willard	Osborne, Henry Zenas	Simons, Edward
Lane, Alexander F	Owens, Madison Towneend	Simpson, John Herbert
Lane, Fred J	Parcels, Horatio Sutton	Smith, Gilbert Vernon
Lankershim, James Boone	Park, John Simpson	Smith, Henry Augustus
Leake, Edward	Peasley, Andrew	Smith, Ira Bacon
Lightner, Daniel Westley	Pendleton, Cornelius Welles	Somes, William Thomas
Lindley, Hervey	Perry, William Hayes	Soper, William Wallace
Lindley, Walter	Packard, John Elwood	Stewart, William
Llewellyn, James Llewellyn	Patterson, Henry	Story, Norton Filmore
Maguire, John Francis	Pattison, Jas. Wilson Hamil'n	Strohm, Thomas
Mansfield, John Patrick	Polaski, Lewis	Sutherland, David Munroe
Marsh, James Harvey	Preston, Isaac Hubbard	Teed, Freeman Golding
Martin, Thomas Wilson	Preston, Jasper Newton	Teed, Matthew
Mason, Charles Cole	Reiser, Theodore	Thorne, Lewis
Mason, Henry D	Richards, Thomas William T	Turner, Joseph Sumner
Maxson, Geo. Washington	Rodgers, William Diel	Van Dyke, Walter
McClure, Joseph Stewart	Rohrer, John Bonewitz	Van Nuyse, Isaac Newton
McDonald, Edward Nathan'l	Ross, Levi Adolphus	Vignolo, Ambrogio
McKanna, Patrick Aug'tine	Russell, Daniel Lindsey	Wade, William Pratt
McKinley, James Wilfred	Russell, Horace Marvin	Wales, Peter Thatcher
McManis, John Rodman	Rutan, Charles Franklin	Walker, Thomas Eaton
Meyers, Henry Laue	Salisbury, John Caleb	Walters, Henry William
Miles, David Edwin	Sargent, Edward William	Weston, Samuel Cutler
Miles, Nelson Appleton	Scarborough, William Byron	Whitson, Levi Henry
Miller, Isaac Leffler	Schmidt, Theodore August	Willard, Charles Dwight
Montgomery, Jas. Andrew	Schoder, Joseph	Woodbury, Francis Chute
Moore, James Lamar	Seip, George Edward	Yapp, Frederick George
Morgan, William Adams	Settle, John	Young, Robert T—220.
Morrison, Norman Holt	Shaffer, John	

MOST EXCELLENT MASTER:

Clark, Gillis Archibald—1.

PAST MASTERS:

Brown, John Alexander	Murphy, Daniel	White, William Hurd—5.
Christopher, John Francis	Platt, Robert Stark	

WITHDRAWN:

Bernstein, Jacob Alfred	Gillelen, James Douglas—2.
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DIED:

Knox, George Crockett	Williamson, Robert Owen—2.
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RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report	189	Withdrawn	2
Exalted	18	Died	2
Affiliated	17—224.	Now borne upon the roll	220—224.

SALINAS CHAPTER, No. 59.**Salinas, Monterey County.***Stated Meetings, fourth Wednesday in each month.***OFFICERS :**

Uldarico Hartnell, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Carlisle Stewart Abbott, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
William Jay Hill, <i>King</i> ,	Arthur Johnson Abbott, <i>R. A. Captain</i> ,
James Ashley Webster, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Frederich Wm. Schmechel, <i>Mas. 3d Val</i> ,
Robert Lindsay Porter, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Michael Vanderhurst, <i>Mas. 2d Val</i> ,
John Barron Bennett, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Thomas Scott Mabel, <i>Master 1st Val</i> ,
Jacob Jepsen, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	William Henry Taft, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

William Vanderhurst,	John King Alexander,	Mason Lorenzo Dexter.
Samuel Franklin Gell,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Abbott, George	Hoffman, Christian	Parker, Wm. Matticks Rogers
Abbott, Harvey Eldon	Hoffman, Henry	Patterson, Alexander
Archer, Samuel Milton	Holmes, James Frederick	Pinkerton, William
Ball, Henry Seymour	Housh, William Harvey	Porter, John Brewer
Black, Victor Delmor	Jackson, Alexander Bell	Renison, Thomas
Boyers, Oary Lee	Josselyn, Edward Spencer	Riley, James Alexander
Brown, John Henry	Joy, Charles	Sargent, Bradley Varnum
Chamberlain, Chas. Gran's'n	Joy, John Green	Sargent, James Patty
Cook, Theodore Webster	Joyce, William Willis	Smeltzer, M. Jacob Grove
Edwards, William Sawyer	Lambert, Thomas Grafton	Smith, Lovias
Fancher, James Knox Polk	Logwood, Samuel Hall	Snively, James Bowman
Faw, Thomas Felix	Logwood, William Mayfield	Steinbeck, John Ernest
Fenton, Edward	Markley, John	Sutton, William
Graves, James Elbert	Martin, William Jefferson	Trimmer, Oliver Smith
Harnes, George	McGarvey, William Victor	Tuttle, Charles Kirkham
Hatton, William	Monroe, Daniel	Uttley, George
Hertel, Charles Augustus E	Nissen, Christian	Witcher, Charles Rose, Jr.
Hiller, Andrew	Norton, Andrea Massena	Widemann, Alfred—72.
Hitchcock, Benjamin	Palmer, Hiram Jairus	

WITHDRAWN :

Franks, Christian—1.

DIED :

Winham, William Pitt Leroy—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report..... 70	Withdrawn..... 1
Exalted 3	Died..... 1
Affiliated 1—74.	Now borne upon the roll..... 72—74.

COLUSA CHAPTER, No. 60.

Colusa, Colusa County.

Stated Meetings, first and third Wednesdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

Joseph Bailey Cooke, <i>High Priest</i> ,	William Harrison Buster, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
Claude Edward De St. Maurice, <i>King</i> ,	Joseph Byron Stanton, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
Robert Oosner, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Rotheus Augustus Gray, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Edward Winslow Jones, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Richard Jones, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
John Charles Mogk, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Franklin Sites, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
John Lowry Jackson, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	John Henry Leining, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priest:

Joseph Bailey Cooke.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Ayer, Leonard Barnard	Guernsey, Henry	Swinford, Edwin
Bungarde, George	Harden, George Beaty	Sites, John
Cheaney, John	Jones, James Thaddeus	Thayer, Albert Austin
Clark, Reuben	Longmire, Samuel O	Vaughn, Cornelius L. N.
De Jarnatt, John Burris	Mason, William Farington	Wiles, John Marshall
Elliott, Henry Baker	Miller, William Franklin	Winkler, James Jackson
Fouch, John Franklin	Noble, William Wallace	Wilson, Cyrus Pogue—34.
Furth, Jacob		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Barnett, Robert	Lawson, Charles Hubbard	Munson, Harry Fulton—4.
Butler, Albert Burton		

EXCLUDED:

Adair, Charles Henry—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....39—39.	Excluded.....1
	Susp. for non-payment of dues...4
	Now borne upon the roll.....34—39.

SAN DIEGO CHAPTER, No. 61.

San Diego, San Diego County.

Stated Meetings, second Monday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Elh Tucker Blackmer, <i>High Priest</i> ,	James Godfrey Decatur, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
Henry Ernest Cooper, <i>King</i> ,	Thomas Alexis Nerney, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
Frank Augustus Kimball, <i>Scribe</i> ,	John Brundradge Hinton, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Eugene Francis Rockfellow, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John R Aitkin, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
John Waldo Thompson, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Milton B H Tobèy, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
William Shepherd Jewell, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	Thomas Goodwin Jeffers, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

William Augustus Begole,
John Waldo Thompson,

Simon Levi,

George Mifflin Dannals.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Allison, Juan Manwell	Fournier, Ferdinand	Paine, John Oliver Winslow
Anderson, Charles	Ginty, John	Patterson, Charles Fremont
Arnold, Gilbert Conger	Goldbaum, Simon	Plaisted, Leland Howard
Asher, Josephus Marion	Gunn, Douglas	Powers, Robert Morris
Bass, John Duncan	Hackett, Samuel Warren	Reed, David Curtis
Bowers, William Wallace	Hamilton, James Kiah	Remondino, Peter Charles
Bradt, Garrett Gareon	Harbison, John S	Resterick, Henry Bond
Bradt, Horace	Henderson, James Joseph	Ronland, Niles Peter
Bullis, William Shufelt	Hubbell, Oren Sage	Schilling, Henry Emil
Burgess, Edward Ezekiel	Humphreys, Thomas Henry	Scribner, George Osborne
Bushyhead, Edw. Wilkerson	Hyland, Charles John	Schneider, Arnold
Cameron, Thomas Ross	Jackson, Jacob Young	Simpson, John Henfrey
Campbell, Chas. Alexander	Levi, Isaac	Stewart, William Wallace
Carl, Irving L	Luce, Moses Augustin	Thielen, Joseph
Cave, Daniel	Marks, Joseph	Thomas, John R
Chase, Herbert Adrian	Matfield, George Henry	Thomas, Richard A
Clark, John Milton	Matthiessen, Albert Henry	Thompson, William Fife
Conklin, Norman Henry	McDougall, Wm. Bradford	Thoustrup, Julius Arendt E
Connor, John Henry	McLure, Louis Steenrod	Treanor, Charles Augustus
Craigue, Solon William	Morgan, Addison	Weineke, Henry William
Dill, Albert Freeman	Morse, Philip	Wescott, Edmund
Douglas, Charles H	Mosaholder, William John	White, Theo. Frelinghuysen
Faivre, Joseph	Mumford, John Valentine	York, Charles E—86.
Fenn, Charles Merwin	Olmsted, Stephen Horatio	

WITHDRAWN:

Hubbard, Robert Maurice—1.

DIED:

Stubbs, Louis Frederick—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report	81	Withdrawn	1
Exalted	6	Died	1
Affiliated	1—88.	Now borne upon the roll	86—88.

SAN LUIS CHAPTER, No. 62.

San Luis Obispo, San Luis Obispo County.

Stated Meetings, first Friday in each month.

OFFICERS:

William Harrison Spencer, <i>High Priest,</i>	Charles Anson Farnum, <i>Prin Sojourner,</i>
Kaufman Green, <i>King,</i>	Philip Kaetzel, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Edward Vollmer, <i>Scribe,</i>	Hiram Jefferson Beck, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Henry Looblimer, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Ralph Parker Sutcliffe, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
John Whicher, <i>Secretary,</i>	Simon Hempel Hanson, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Phillip Francis Ready, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Andrew Williamson, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Levi Backliffe,

Frederick Adams,

William Harrison Spencer.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Ballou, Stephen Davis
 Barger, Daniel Edwin
 Blackburn, Daniel Drew
 Booth, Anthony Rogers
 Brooks, Benjamin
 Carter, Wirt Ludore
 Case, James
 Currier, John Charles
 Dallidet, Pierre Hyppolite
 Dorn, Fred Adolphus
 Douglas, Gerard Noel
 Filliponi, Dannis
 Fillmore, James Millard
 Garrison, Daniel Marcus
 Goldtree, Morris
 Greenberg, Meyer
 Hardie, Angus McPherson
 Harkinson, Robert
 Harloe, Marcus
 Hasbrouk, Abram Bruyn
 Hays, William Williams

Hoff, Marcus Jacob
 Hollister, John Hubbard
 Ide, Bela Clinton
 Jack, Robert Edgar
 Johnston, Hosea Holcomb
 Latimer, Benjamin Griffith
 Lewis, Jesse Elisha
 Lucas, William Thomas
 Maxwell, Charles
 Michael, Geo. Washington
 Muir, Jeremiah
 Muscio, Abramo
 Muscio, Gulseppi
 Nichols, George Burritt
 Noah, Louis Meyer
 Noah, Meyer
 Peterson, Peter
 Pezzoni, Batista
 Phillips, Chauncey Hatch
 Poland, Henson
 Pollard, Samuel Adams

Presumo, Pietro Benedetto
 Reed, Charles Henry
 Reid, Thompson
 Rice, Coffee Adam
 Robbins, Fred Olmstead
 Rodgers, William
 Russell, Charles Jay
 Sanderoock, William
 Smith, William John
 Speyer, David
 Staniford, George Brock
 Steinhart, Alphonse Wash't'n
 Story, George
 Tognazzini, Antonio
 Tognazzini, Peter
 Tomasini, Louis
 Victors, Henry
 Warden, Lew Moore
 Watson, James William
 Williams, Thomas Jeffreys
 Wood, Beder Junior—77.

MARK MASTER:

Call, Samuel Johnson—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Morgan, Phiny Brett

Schwartz, Isador—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Anthony, George
 Dunn, Patrick Henry

McFadden, Oliver Perry

Smith, Edwin—4.

DIED:

Bloom, Herman—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....83	Withdrawn... .. 2
Affiliated..... 1—84.	Susp. for non-payment of dues... 4
	Died..... 1
	Now borne upon the roll..... 77—84.

ST. HELENA CHAPTER, No. 63.

St. Helena, Napa County.

*Stated Meetings, Thursday on or before Full Moon in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Wm. Whittingham Lyman, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Louis Howard Trainor, <i>Prin., Sojourner</i> ,
John Henry Steves, <i>King</i> ,	Frank Pellet, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Theron Hotchkiss Ink, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Alton Levant Williams, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Dunsdill Burr Carver, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Wirt Bradbury, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Marcus Fayette Inman, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Charles Frederick Rice, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Benj. Franklin Kettlewell, <i>Capt. of Host</i> ,	David Galewsky, <i>Guard</i> .

ANTIOCH CHAPTER, No. 65.**Antioch, Contra Costa County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday preceding the Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Charles Mortimer Belshaw, <i>High Priest,</i>	Nathaniel Woodhull Smith, <i>Pr. Sojourner,</i>
Stephen Horace McKellips, <i>King,</i>	George Holladay, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Joshua Plummer Abbott, <i>Scribe,</i>	George Alexander Minaker, <i>Mas. 3d Vail,</i>
Frank George, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Daniel Gibson Darby, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Charles Franklin Montgomery, <i>Secretary,</i>	Richard Raines Veale, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Frank Edward Booth, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	John Norman, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

James Carter,

Charles Mortimer Belshaw.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Cox, John Thomas

Miller, George

Walton, John Parks

Grant, Peter B

Simmons, Harry

Walton, Mark Anthony

Graves, Hiram Augustus

Storey, Walter

Webber, David—22.

DIED:

Wills, Demas Dangerfield—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....23—23.

Died..... 1

Now borne upon the roll.....22—23.

DORIO CHAPTER, No. 66.**Livermore, Alameda County.***Stated Meetings, second Saturday after Full Moon in each month.***OFFICERS:**

George Edwin Kennedy, <i>High Priest,</i>	Madison Hartwell Beck, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
Francis Ronello Fassett, <i>King,</i>	Andrew Jackson McLeod, <i>R. A. Captain,</i>
Nathaniel Breed Holmes, <i>Scribe,</i>	John Aylward, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Henry Hinsdale Pitcher, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Arva Alphonso Fargo, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Joseph Oscar McKown, <i>Secretary,</i>	William Henry Wright, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Edward Charles Newell, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Jesse Bowles, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Benson Clark Bellamy,

George Edwin Kennedy.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Anspacher, Simon

Clark, Alison Sherman

Smith, James Dale

Bailey, Hiram

Gerst, Garrison

True, George Lewis

Bardellini, Joseph

Mitchell, John Lawrence

Taylor, William Stewart

Bernal, Dennis Filbert

Seller, Samuel

Van Valkenberg, Charles O

Brunner, Harry Ernest

—26.

Robinson, John Andrew—1.

On roll per last report.....27—27.	Susp. for non-payment of dues... 1
	Now borne upon the roll.....26—27.

Riverside, San Bernardino County.

OFFICERS:

Past High Priest:

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

WITHDRAWN :

DIED:

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....	58	Withdrawn.....	1
Exalted.....	3	Died.....	2
Affiliated.....	1-57.	Now borne upon the roll.....	54-57.

HOLLISTER CHAPTER, No. 68.**Hollister, San Benito County.***Stated Meetings, second Wednesday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Thomas Flint, Sr., <i>High Priest</i> ,	Thomas Flint, Jr., <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
Francis Asbury Canning, <i>King</i> ,	Daniel F. Haverlock McPhail, <i>R. A. Capt.</i> ,
Nash Corwith Briggs, <i>Scribe</i> ,	William Francis Dalzell, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Judson Gerald Hamilton, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Amos Marshall Harding, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Edmund North Wilcox, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Samuel Clark Freels, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
James Henry Tebbetts, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	William Clayton Asher, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Thomas Flint, Jr.,	Thomas Flint, Sr.
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ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Byrnes, Edward	Logan, Thomas	Rosenberg, Marcus
French, Theodore Hugh	Mitchell, George Francis	Sanford, Daniel Kenyon
Frenzel, Edmund August	Nash, Francis Orlando	Shackleford, Rich'd Mathew
Ladd, Leonard Murch	Nash, Pontalba Lavique	Wapple, George—26.
Lipsett, Archie	Norton, Roscoe Green	

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report	23	Now borne upon the roll.....	26.
Exalted.....	3—26.		

TRIGO CHAPTER, No. 69.**Fresno, Fresno County.***Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

George Clayton Grimes, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Edwin Forrest Selleck, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
Thomas Pleasant Nelson, <i>King</i> ,	Aaron R Comfort, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Henry Philip Hedges, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Fred. Bartelle Dexter, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Charles Warren De Long, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Alfred Dare Barling, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
John Robert Williams, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Duncan C. McDougall, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
James Alfred Webster, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	John Dennis, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Angus Marion Clark,	George Clayton Grimes.
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ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Bachman, Nathan La Fay's	Brown, James Ewing	Cox, Elmer Henry
Badger, Charles Taintor	Butler, Alban Bernhard	Daulton, Henry Clay
Barker, John Allen	Collins, Alfred Scott	Davis, William Wallace
Bradford, Ward	Collins, James Darwin	Deardorff, Albert G
Brown, Francis Richard	Conger, John West	Dixon, Louis Le Roi

Donohoo, Michael Jefferson	Martin, Samuel	Sumner, John M
Dunlap, James M	Moore, Edwin	Thomas, William Robertson
Dusy, Frank	Norris, Charles Henry	Vanderlip, Fred'k Douglas
Dwyer, John	Parsons, George Gorton	Wagner, James Daniel
Edwards, Edward Darnelle	Phillips, William Walker	Walter, Charles Lewis
Eley, Mills	Ring, William Charles	Watkins, James Wellesley
Esray, Justin	Robinson, Charles Henry	Warner, Henry Conrad
Ferguson, John William	Rosenthal, Nathan	Webster, Mark
Gilbert, Julius Langdon	Ross, Samuel Hawes	White, John James
Goldstein, Alexander	Sayle, Claudius Galen	White, James Riggs
Hoffman, Allen Fletcher	Schermerhorn, Martin L.	Whitson, Jacob Emery
Hughes, Thomas Edwin	Shoobert, Chas. Waldron S.	Wilkins, Archibald Smith
Hughes, William Marshall	Smith, Albert Anderson	Williams, Alonzo Coleridge
Kaarsberg, Hans M. Hagen	Smith, James Collins	Williamson, Charles
Knowles, William Edward	Smith, James Wiley	Woodward, Oscar J
Mace, Russell Perry	Smith, Samuel Nathaniel	Wood, Charles Robert
McDonald, Alex'der Monroe	Snow, Bert Grant	Yager, Cornelius—81.
McDonald, Donald James	Stroud, John Allen	

RESTORED:

Collins, James Darwin	Edwards, Edward Darnelle	Robinson, Charles Henry
Davis, William Wallace	Eley, Mills	Thomas, William Robertson
Dixon, Louis Le Roi	Gilbert, Julius Langdon	Wagner, James Daniel—9.

WITHDRAWN:

Kennedy, Leonard White—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Ashbrook, Alfred	Caruthers, William Ayers—2.
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RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....71	Withdrawn..... 1
Exalted..... 3	Susp. for non-payment of dues... 2
Affiliated..... 1	Now borne upon the roll.....81—84.
Restored..... 9—84.	

ALAMEDA CHAPTER, No. 70.

Alameda, Alameda County.

Stated Meetings, first and third Saturdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

Wm. Aug's Lindlay Knowles, <i>High Priest</i> ,	John Yablonsky, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
Phineas Wesley Barton, <i>King</i> ,	Dennis Joseph Sullivan, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
August Gewer, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Geo. Wadsworth Dorwin, <i>Master 3d Val.</i> ,
Henry Sevening, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Sidney George Mitchell, <i>Master 2d Val.</i> ,
Oswald Lubbock, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Ellsworth, <i>Master 1st Val.</i> ,
William Oliver Dickson, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	Robert McGoun, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

John Henry Eickhoff,

Wm. Aug's Lindlay Knowles.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Ames, George Spencer	Jones, William Price	Perkins, Alfred Thomas
Boehmer, Fritz	Klein, Peter	Reynolds, George Potter
Brown, Cyrus Austin	Konigshofer, Julius Jonas	Sheeran, James Andrew
Claussen, Henry	Lancaster, Americus Vesp's	Spreckels, Richard
Dubbs, Willis Snowden	Manheim, Isaac	Stephenson, Stanley
Granger, Farley Benj., Jr.	Martin, David Wilkins	Stoddard, Asa Church
Hall, Gilbert Oowies	Michaels, Henry	Strong, Milton Grosvenor
Haskell, Walter Williams	Moebus, Fred. Wm. Gustave	Thom, Charles Jefferson
Hogeboom, Law'ce Vosberg	Payne, George Henry	Volberg, Charles Christian
Holtz, William	Perkins, Franklin Lumnis	Wall, Joseph George
Hunter, James	Petersen, Carl Christian Aug	Woodward, Arthur Sydney

—46.

PAST MASTER:

Williams, Edward Alfred—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Weed, Merritt Hermann—1.

EXCLUDED:

Corse, John—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....43	Withdrawn.....1
Exalted.....5—48.	Excluded.....1
	Now borne upon the roll.....46—48.

TULARE CHAPTER, No. 71.

Tulare, Tulare County.

Stated Meetings, second and fourth Mondays in each month.

OFFICERS:

George Washington Zartman, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Randolph Ray, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
Jacob Franklin Bollar, <i>King</i> ,	David Seymour Woodruff, <i>R. A. Captain</i> ,
Basil Galtner Parker, <i>Scribe</i> ,	William Pierce Ratliff, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Edward Oakford, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Anson Parsons Hall, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Robert Thompson McMillan, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Robert Lincoln Reid, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
John Albert Goble, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	William Carpenter, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priest:

George Washington Zartman.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Arnold, James	Harris, Thomas Spencer	Smith, William J
Barber, Emmet	Kellem, John Wilbur	Taggart, Charles Ferdinand
Oreelman, And'w Thompson	Kramer, Alexander Sane	Taggart, Thomas Edwin
Deitrick, James	Maples, Thompson William	Warner, Joseph Henry
Ely, Isaac Hayne	Madden, David Washington	Wallace, Hamilton
Eckles, John Graham	Main, William Henry	Wilson, John Lewis
Faust, Geo. Andrew Willis	Oakes, Frederick Orrick	Wolfrom, Jacob—34.
Hardie, Philip Gosil		

WITHDRAWN:

De Sanno, Walter

Howell, John Lillard—2.

DIED :

Manning, John James—1.

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report	32	Withdrawn.....	2
Exalted.....	5—37.	Died	1
		Now borne upon the roll.....	34—37.

CROWN CHAPTER, No. 72.

Pasadena, Los Angeles County.

Stated Meetings, second Tuesdays in each month.

OFFICERS :

Elon White, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Romayne Williams, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
Arthur Henry Conger, <i>King</i> ,	Amos Myron Collis, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Gilbert Almon Ottman, <i>Scribe</i> ,	John Richard Slater, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Sherman Washburn, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	David Roger McLean, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Thomas Henry Webster, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Charles O Brown, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Oscar Otto Freeman, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Thomas Winchester Goltman, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests :

Romayne Williams,	Florin Leslie Jones.
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ROYAL ARCH MASONS :

Arnold, Delos	Greeley, George Augustus	Rhodes, Charles Hilliard
Atlee, William Augustus	Hartwell, John Lufkin	Rockwood, Frederick Leslie
Bailey, Robert Watkins	Hodge, Joseph Sylvester	Sherman, Henry Buahnell
Baker, John Hamilton	Kerr, Archie Fullarton	Swift, Charles
Banbury, Jabez	Mages, Harvey W	Slaughter, Herbert Jerome
Biles, Frederick Eugene	Masters, Willis Uberto	Slaughter, Robert Coleman
Bonner, Lewis Henry	McAllister, William L	Smith, Charles Arnett
Carnahan, David Slater	McDonald, John	Thorne, Alfred
Conger, Everett Lorentus	McLachlin, James	Vail, Henry J
Decker, Zachary	Michener, Joe Charles	Vlier, John Kasper
Edwards, Simon Josiah	Mohr, Richard J	Wright, Walter S
Frazier, Thomas Presley	Pierce, Edward T	Wotkyns, B Marshall—51.
Grey, Frank Sidney	Ocheltree, Gilbert Bryden	

MOST EXCELLENT MASTERS :

Davis, Asabel Harney	Miller, George	Rose, Henry Herbert—3.
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WITHDRAWN :

Martin, Thomas Jefferson	Habick, John—2.
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RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report	44	Withdrawn.....	2
Exalted	8	Now borne upon the roll	51—63.
Affiliated.	1—53.		

ORANGE CHAPTER, No. 73.**Santa Ana, Orange County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday on or before Full Moon in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Carlos Frederick Mansur, <i>High Priest,</i>	Isaac Lea Collins, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
James Wilson Towner, <i>King,</i>	James Patton Boyd, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
James Randolph Medlock, <i>Scribe,</i>	James Reed Olver, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
William Bradford Lamson, <i>Treasurer,</i>	William Rose Edwards, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Robert Francis Chilton, <i>Secretary,</i>	John Saxon Haywood, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Samuel Hill, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	John McLellan Lacy, <i>Guard.</i>

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Davis, Philip	Jones, Erastus Clinton	West, Zephaniah B
Fordick, Henry Ozro	Mills, Ira D	Wightman, James Little
Fairbanks, Harlan	Paul, John Rink	Weeks, George Warren
Hogle, George Frederick	Pullen, Eli Athen	Wood, Allen Jefferson
Hill, Herbert Curtis	Townsend, Benj. Franklin	Whidden, George Ackerman

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MOST EXCELLENT MASTERS:

Mendelson, Marks

Snyder, Andrew—2.

RECAPITULATION:

Petitioners for dispensation19	Now borne upon the roll27.
Exalted3	
Affiliated5—27.	

LIST OF GRAND CHAPTERS.

LIST OF CHAPTERS NOW IN EXISTENCE,

WITH A SUMMARY OF THEIR RETURNS FOR THE TERM, TWELVE MONTHS, ENDING JANUARY 31, A. I. 2421.

NAMES OF CHAPTERS.	PLACE OF LOCATION.		DATE WHEN CHARTER WAS ORDERED.	MARKED.													
	TOWN.	COUNTY.		Marked.	Passed.	Received.	Exalted.	Restored.	Withdrawn.	Expulsion.	Sup. for non- pay of dues.	Un. Con.	Died.	M. Masters.	Past Masters.	R. A. Masters.	Dues to Gr. Chapter.
1 SAN FRANCISCO.....	San Francisco.....	San Francisco.....	July 28, 1864.	14	18	18	1	1	1	2	8	8	384	288 00			
2 SONORA.....	Sonora.....	Tuolumne.....	" "	3	3	3	8	2	1	2	8	8	42	31 50			
3 SACRAMENTO.....	Sacramento.....	Sacramento.....	" "	1	1	1	1	4	4	5	10	4	270	202 60			
4 EL DORADO.....	El Dorado.....	El Dorado.....	April 30, 1865.	31	27	27	7	2	2	1	1	9	472	354 00			
5 SAN FRANCISCO.....	San Francisco.....	San Francisco.....	" "														
6 NEVADA.....	Nevada.....	Nevada.....	" "														
7 BENICIA.....	Benicia.....	Solano.....	" "														
8 COLUMBIA.....	Columbia.....	Tuolumne.....	" "														
9 SHASTA.....	Shasta.....	Shasta.....	" "	3	4	6	6	1		1	1	1	89	44 25			
10 FOREST CITY.....	Forest City.....	Sierra.....	" "														
11 SUTTER CREEK.....	Sutter Creek.....	Sierra.....	" "														
12 MERCED.....	Merced.....	Amador.....	May 3, 1866.	6	5	6	5	1	1	1	1	1	42	31 50			
13 YUBA.....	Yuba.....	Merced.....	" "	3	4	4	4	5	2	1	1	1	46	34 50			
14 SAN JOSE.....	San Jose.....	Santa Clara.....	" "	6	5	6	5	5	2	1	1	3	121	90 75			
15 YREKA.....	Yreka.....	Siskiyou.....	" "	4	7	9	8	2	2	1	1	6	185	103 50			
16 PLACERVILLE.....	Placerville.....	El Dorado.....	May 8, 1867.	2	2	2	2			1	2	2	47	36 25			
17 LOWA HILL.....	Lowa Hill.....	Placer.....	" "	6	6	6	6		1	1	1	3	38	28 50			
18 GRASS VALLEY.....	Grass Valley.....	Nevada.....	May 7, 1868.	6	6	6	6		1	1	1	3	81	60 75			
19 WEAVERVILLE.....	Weaverville.....	Trinity.....	" "									2	30	22 50			
20 OROVILLE.....	Oroville.....	Butte.....	" "									3	77	57 75			
21 DOWNVILLE.....	Downville.....	Sierra.....	" "						3	2		3	31	23 25			
22 PETALUMA.....	Petaluma.....	Sonoma.....	" "	4	4	4			1				76	57 00			
23 FOREST HILL.....	Forest Hill.....	Placer.....	May 6, 1869.						4				16	12 00			
24 CAMPTONVILLE.....	Camptonville.....	Yuba.....	" "							5			18	13 50			
25 GEORGETOWN.....	Georgetown.....	El Dorado.....	May 4, 1860.					1									
26 OAKLAND.....	Oakland.....	Alameda.....	" "														
27 ANUBURN.....	Anuburn.....	Placer.....	May 10, 1861.	1	4	4	1	1	2	3			30	23 50			
28 STOCKTON.....	Stockton.....	San Joaquin.....	" "	1	4	4	6	3					105	78 75			
29 NORTH SAN JUAN.....	North San Juan.....	Nevada.....	" "	1	1	1	1	1	2	2			61	38 25			
30 NAPA.....	Napa.....	Napa.....	" "	3	3	2	2	1					41	30 75			
31 MARTINEZ.....	Martinez.....	Contra Costa.....	May 9, 1862														
32 QUINCY.....	Quincy.....	Plumas.....	May 8, 1863.										48	36 00			

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• Charter surrendered. † Charter revoked. ‡ Consolidated with Sonora, No. 2. ¶ Consolidated with Alameda, No. 36, under name of Oakland, No. 36.

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Pennsylvania,.....	J. SIMPSON AFRICA,.....	Philadelphia ;
Quebec,.....	FRANK EDGAR,.....	Montreal ;
Rhode Island,.....	OSMOND H. BRIGGS,.....	Pawtucket ;
South Carolina,.....	AUGUSTIN T. SMYTHE,.....	Charleston ;
South Dakota,.....	PETER C. MURPHY,.....	Brookings ;
Tennessee,.....	ANGEL S. MYERS,.....	Memphis ;
Texas,.....	A. S. RICHARDSON,.....	Houston ;
Vermont,.....	THEODORE S. PECK,.....	Burlington ;
Virginia,.....	WILLIAM B. ISAACS,.....	Richmond ;
Washington,.....	LOUIS ZEIGLER,.....	Spokane Falls ;
West Virginia,.....	KEPHAET D. WALKER,.....	Fairmount ;
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KANSAS,	JOHN H. BROWN,	Wyandotte.
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MISSISSIPPI,	J. L. POWER,	Jackson.
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NEW HAMPSHIRE,	GEO. P. CLEAVES,	Concord.
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TENNESSEE,.....	JOHN FRIZZELL,.....	Nashville.
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VERMONT,.....	W. H. S. WHITCOMB,.....	Burlington.
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WASHINGTON,.....	YANCEY C. BLALOCK,.....	Walla Walla.
WEST VIRGINIA,.....	JOHN W. MORRIS,.....	Wheeling.
WISCONSIN,...	JOHN W. LAFLIN,.....	Milwaukee.
GEN. GR. CHAPTER OF U. S.,	CHRISTOPHER G. FOX,.....	Buffalo.

GRAND OFFICERS

Elected since the Organization of the Grand Chapter, July 28, A. I. 2334.

1854.

*CHARLES M. RADOLIFF, *Gr. High Priest.* *A. B. HOY,..... *Grand King.*
*JOHN D. CREIGH, *Dep. Grand High Priest.* *HUGH G. PLATT, *Grand Scribe.*

1855.

JOHN D. CREIGH, ... *Grand High Priest.* *WILLIAM W. TRAYLOR, *Grand King.*
*ISAAC DAVIS, ... *Dep. Grand High Priest.* *LEVERETT BRADLEY, *Grand Scribe.*

1856.

*ORANGE H. DIBBLE, *Grand High Priest.* WHITING G. WEST, *Grand King.*
*W. W. TRAYLOR, *Dep. Grand High Priest.* *JAMES A. JACKSON, *Grand Scribe.*

1857.

*WM. W. TRAYLOR, ... *Grand High Priest.* WHITING G. WEST, *Grand King.*
THOS. H. CASWELL, *Dep. Grand High Priest.* *JAMES A. JACKSON, *Grand Scribe.*

1858.

THOMAS H. CASWELL, *Grand High Priest.* *JAMES A. JACKSON, *Grand King.*
WHITING G. WEST, *Dep. Grand High Priest.* *HENRY HARE HARTLEY, ... *Grand Scribe.*

1859.

WHITING G. WEST, ... *Grand High Priest.* *AARON D. PARK, *Grand King.*
*H. H. HARTLEY, ... *Dep. Grand High Priest.* *LEWIS REYNOLDS, *Grand Scribe.*

1860.

*HENRY H. HARTLEY, *Grand High Priest.* *JAMES W. BICKNELL, *Grand King.*
*ADOLPHUS HOLLUB, *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* *EZRA HOWARD VAN DECAR, *Grand Scribe.*

1861.

*HENRY H. HARTLEY, *Grand High Priest.* *EZRA HOWARD VAN DECAR, *Grand King.*
*ADOLPHUS HOLLUB, *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* JOHN KIRKPATRICK, *Grand Scribe.*

1862.

*ADOLPHUS HOLLUB, ... *Grand High Priest.* JOHN KIRKPATRICK, *Grand King.*
*EZRA H. VAN DECAR, ... *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* *CHARLES MARSH, *Grand Scribe.*

1863.

*EZRA H. VAN DECAR, ... *Grand High Priest.* *CHARLES MARSH, *Grand King.*
JOHN KIRKPATRICK, ... *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* WILLIAM A. DAVIES, *Grand Scribe.*

1864.

*ISAAC DAVIS, *Grand High Priest.* *CHARLES MARSH, *Grand King.*
JOHN KIRKPATRICK, ... *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* WILLIAM A. DAVIES, *Grand Scribe.*

* Deceased.

1865.

JOHN KIRKPATRICK, .. *Grand High Priest.* WILLIAM A. DAVIES, *Grand King.*
 *CHAS. MARSH, .. *Dep. Grand High Priest.* ISAAC S. TITUS, *Grand Scribe.*

1866.

*CHARLES MARSH, ... *Grand High Priest.* ISAAC S. TITUS, *Grand King.*
 WM. A. DAVIES, .. *Dep. Grand High Priest.* *JOHN W. HARVILLE, *Grand Scribe.*

1867.

ISAAC S. TITUS, *Grand High Priest.* *JOHN W. HARVILLE, *Grand King.*
 *JAS. A. JACKSON, .. *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* *GEORGE T. GRIMES, *Grand Scribe.*

1868.

*JOHN W. HARVILLE, *Grand High Priest.* *JAS. LAWRENCE ENGLISH, .. *Grand King.*
 *GEORGE T. GRIMES, *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* JACOB H. NEFF, *Grand Scribe.*

1870.

*GEORGE T. GRIMES, .. *Grand High Priest.* JACOB H. NEFF, *Grand King.*
 *JAS. LAW. ENGLISH, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* STEPHEN WING, *Grand Scribe.*

1871.

*JAS. L. ENGLISH, .. *Grand High Priest.* STEPHEN WING, *Grand King.*
 JACOB H. NEFF, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* *JOSEPH ISAACS, *Grand Scribe.*

1872.

JACOB H. NEFF, *Grand High Priest.* WM. THOMAS REYNOLDS, ... *Grand King.*
 *JOSEPH ISAACS, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* WM. ALEXANDER JANUARY, *Grand Scribe.*

1873.

WM. A. DAVIES, *Grand High Priest.* WM. THOMAS REYNOLDS, ... *Grand King.*
 *JOSEPH ISAACS, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* WM. ALEXANDER JANUARY, *Grand Scribe.*

1874.

WM. ALEX. JANUARY, *Grand High Priest.* JOHN MILLS BROWNE, *Grand King.*
 WM. T. REYNOLDS, .. *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* HENRY HAY KNAPP, *Grand Scribe.*

1875.

WM. T. REYNOLDS, ... *Grand High Priest.* HENRY HAY KNAPP, *Grand King.*
 *ALEX. G. ABELL, .. *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* NATHAN W. SPAULDING, .. *Grand Scribe.*

1876.

*ALEX. G. ABELL, *Grand High Priest.* JOHN MILLS BROWNE, *Grand King.*
 HENRY HAY KNAPP, *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* NATHAN W. SPAULDING, .. *Grand Scribe.*

1877.

HENRY HAY KNAPP, *Grand High Priest.* NATHAN W. SPAULDING, .. *Grand King.*
 JOHN MILLS BROWNE, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* WILEY JAMES TINNIN, *Grand Scribe.*

1878.

JOHN MILLS BROWNE, *Grand High Priest.* WILEY JAMES TINNIN, *Grand King.*
 NATHAN W. SPAULDING, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* HENRY SAYRE ORME, *Grand Scribe.*

1879.

NATHAN W. SPAULDING, *Gr. High Priest.* HENRY SAYRE ORME, *Grand King.*
 WILEY JAMES TINNIN, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE, *Grand Scribe.*

*Deceased.

1880.

WILEY JAMES TINNIN, *Gr. High Priest.* WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE, *Grand King.*
HENRY SAYRE ORME, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* *LEONIDAS E PRATT, *Grand Scribe.*

1881.

HENRY SAYRE ORME, *Grand High Priest.* *LEONIDAS E PRATT, *Grand King.*
WM. MONROE PETRIE, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* *JONATHAN DOAN HINES, *Grand Scribe.*

1882.

WM. MONROE PETRIE, *Grand High Priest.* *JONATHAN DOAN HINES, *Grand King.*
*LEONIDAS E PRATT, *D. Grand High Priest.* EDWARD COLEMAN, *Grand Scribe.*

1883.

*LEONIDAS E PRATT, *Grand High Priest.* EDWARD COLEMAN, *Grand King.*
*JONATHAN DOAN HINES, *D. Gr. H. Priest.* BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE, *Gr. Scribe.*

1884.

*JONATHAN DOAN HINES, *Grand H. Priest.* BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE, *Gr. King.*
EDWARD COLEMAN, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* *MICHAEL JAMES KEATING, *Grand Scribe.*

1885.

EDWARD COLEMAN, *Grand High Priest.* *MICHAEL JAMES KEATING, *Grand King.*
BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE, *D. G. H. P.* WILLIAM THOMPSON LUTHER, *Gr. Scribe.*

1886.

BENJAMIN F. TUTTLE, *Grand High Priest.* WM. THOMPSON LUTHER, *Grand King.*
*MICHAEL JAS. KEATING, *D. G. H. Priest.* WILLIAM VANDERHURST, *Grand Scribe.*

1887.

*MICHAEL JAMES KEATING, *G. High Priest.* WILLIAM VANDERHURST, *Grand King.*
WM. THOMPSON LUTHER, *D. Gr. H. Priest.* *CARNOT COURTLAND MASON, *Gr. Scribe.*

1888.

WILLIAM THOMPSON LUTHER, *G. H. Priest.* *CARNOT COURTLAND MASON, *Grand King.*
WILLIAM VANDERHURST, *D. Gr. H. Priest.* FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, *Grand Scribe.*

1889.

WILLIAM VANDERHURST, *G. High Priest.* FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, *Grand King.*
*CARNOT COURTLAND MASON, *D. G. H. P.* MILTON HILLS MYRICK, *Grand Scribe.*

1890.

FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, *Gr. High Priest.* WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS, *Grand King.*
MILTON HILLS MYRICK, *Dep. Gr. H. P.* CHARLES RAY GRITMAN, *Grand Scribe.*

1891.

MILTON HILLS MYRICK, *Gr. High Priest.* CHARLES RAY GRITMAN, *Grand King.*
WM. BUCKLEY DAVIS, *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD, *Gr. Scribe.*

*Deceased

GRAND CONVENTION
OF THE
ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTS
OF THE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

Thirty-second Annual Grand Convention.

The thirty-second Annual Grand Convention of the Order of High Priests of the State of California assembled in the Masonic Temple, on Tuesday, the twenty-first day of April, 1891, at 8 o'clock p. m.

There were present the following

OFFICERS :

The M. E. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES,.....*President;*
" R. E. JACOB HART NEFF,.....*Vice-President;*
" R. E. WILEY JAMES TINNIN,.....*Chaplain;*
" R. E. HIRAM THEOPO GRAVES,.....*Treasurer;*
" R. E. THEODORE EDWARD SMITH,.....*Recorder;*
" R. E. EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES,.....*Master of Ceremonies;*
" R. E. FRANKLIN HENRY DAY,.....*Conductor;*
" R. E. DAVID PUGH MARSHALL,.....*Herald;*
" R. E. THOMAS KYLE,.....*Seward.*

Also Companions FREDERICK ADAMS, DANIEL POTTER BYSTLIN, THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL, ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD, THOMAS FLINT, Sr., ADOLPHUS HEWEL, POWELL SAMUEL LAWSON, CHARLES FAYETTE LOTT, MILTON HILLS MYRICK, CHARLES LEWIS PATTON, ROBERT FLEMING ROONEY, WILLIAM LLOYD GARRISON SOULE, BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE and WILLIAM VANDERHURST.

The Grand Convention was opened in *Due Form.*

The reading of the minutes of proceedings of the last Annual Grand Convention were dispensed with, the members being furnished with printed copies thereof.

Applications, accompanied by the proper certificates, were received from the following named Companions :—

RICHARD PALMER BURR,.....	High Priest of <i>Sacramento</i> Chapter, No. 3
HENRY ASCROFT,.....	" " " <i>California</i> " " 5
MORRIS MEHON,.....	" " " <i>Shasta</i> " " 9
EDWARD CONVERSE VOORHIES,.....	" " " <i>Sutter</i> " " 11
HENRY DAVID ROBERTSON,.....	" " " <i>Cyrus</i> " " 16
CARL FRED. AUGUST LAST,.....	" " " <i>Los Angeles</i> " " 33
THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD,.....	" " " <i>Santa Cruz</i> " " 38
NATHANIEL MERRILL,.....	" " " <i>Red Bluff</i> " " 40
JAMES MILTON MANNON,.....	" " " <i>Ukiah</i> " " 53
HENRY ALOYSIUS KELLER,.....	" " " <i>Keystone</i> " " 56
ULDARICO HARTNELL,.....	" " " <i>Salinas</i> " " 59
ELI TUCKER BLACKMER,.....	" " " <i>San Diego</i> " " 61
JAMES CLINTON LEWIS,.....	" " " <i>Acacia</i> " " 64
JOHN SEXTON CASTLEMAN,.....	" " " <i>Riverside</i> " " 67

Which applications were referred to a committee consisting of Companions POWELL SAMUEL LAWSON, BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE and ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD.

After due consideration, the committee reported favorably; whereupon the companions were balloted for and duly elected to receive the Order of High Priesthood.

Companions RICHARD PALMER BURR, HENRY ASCROFT, MORRIS MEHON, EDWARD CONVERSE VOORHIES, HENRY DAVID ROBERTSON, CARL FRED. AUGUST LAST, THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD, NATHANIEL MERRILL, JAMES MILTON MANNON, HENRY ALOYSIUS KELLER, ULDARICO HARTNELL, ELI TUCKER BLACKMER, JAMES CLINTON LEWIS and JOHN SEXTON CASTLEMAN were severally introduced and received the Order of High Priesthood.

The Committee on Robes reported " That, in compliance with the resolution adopted at the last Annual Grand Convention, they had procured the robes for the Grand Officers, which they were using this evening."

The report was accepted and the committee was highly complimented on the result of its labors.

The bill of DANIEL NOBECROSS & Co., for robes, etc., amounting to \$395.00, was ordered to be paid.

The Treasurer stated the amount of money in his hands to be \$245.75.

The Recorder reported the

RECEIPTS:

Fees and assessments of last year.....	\$45 00
Fees from candidates.....	70 00
Total.....	\$115 00

Which amount he had paid to the Treasurer.

Companion BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE presented the following preamble and resolution :—

WHEREAS, The funds in the hands of the Treasurer are not sufficient to enable this Grand Convention to pay for the Robes and other necessary expenses; therefore

Resolved, That each member of this Grand Convention who received the Order of High Priesthood prior to the year 1890 be assessed in the sum of one dollar.

Which was unanimously adopted.

The Treasurer was instructed to pay to the

Recorder	\$10 00
Janitor	5 00
Total	\$15 00

The next business in order being the election of officers for the ensuing year, the *M. E.* President appointed Companions POWELL SAMUEL LAWSON and BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE as tellers, and the following named companions were declared elected :—

The *M. E.* WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, *President* ;
 " *R. E.* JACOB HART NEFF, *Vice-President* ;
 " *R. E.* WILEY JAMES TINNIN, *Chaplain* ;
 " *R. E.* HIRAM THEOPH GRAVES, *Treasurer* ;
 " *R. E.* THEODORE EDWARD SMITH, *Recorder* ;
 " *R. E.* EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES, *Master of Ceremonies* ;
 " *R. E.* FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, *Conductor* ;
 " *R. E.* DAVID PUGH MARSHALL, *Herald* ;
 " *R. E.* THOMAS KYLE, *Steward*.

The officers were then duly installed.

There being no further business, the minutes of proceedings were read and approved.

The Grand Convention was then closed in *But form*.

THEODORE EDWARD SMITH,
Recorder.

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS

OF THE

GRAND CONVENTION OF HIGH PRIESTS.

OFFICERS:

The M. E. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES,	<i>President ;</i>
" R. E. JACOB HART NEFF,	<i>Vice-President ;</i>
" R. E. WILEY JAMES TINNIN,	<i>Chaplain ;</i>
" R. E. HIRAM TROOP GRAVES,	<i>Treasurer ;</i>
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" R. E. DAVID PUGH MARSHALL,	<i>Herald ;</i>
" R. E. THOMAS KYLE,	<i>Steward.</i>

MEMBERS.

Adams, Frederick	Campbell, Doran Lucius	Flint, Thomas, Jr.
Aitken, Robert	Castleman, John Sexton	Foy, Samuel Calvert
Akerly, Benjamin	Caswell, Thomas Hubbard	Gamble, William W
Alexander, John King	Chalmers, Alexander	Gell, Samuel Franklin
Anderson, James Wright	Clements, John	Gillett, Charles Edwin
Anthony, Edward Taylor	Cohn, Louis	Glover, James Russell
Ascroft, Henry	Coleman, Edward	Goldsworthy, John
Barker, William	Coleman, John Crisp	Graham, Thomas Jefferson
Barnard, John Kirk	Crawford, Ellison Lassell	Gritman, Charles Ray
Baras, Frederick Ferdinand	Crawford, Isaac Samuel	Halsey, Abraham
Beard, Elihu Burritt	Crawford, James Seth	Hare, Edward Taylor
Begole, William Augustus	Cressey, Edward Potter	Harmon, Rufus Burnham
Bellamy, Benson Clark	Crocker, Nathan	Haskell, John Condit
Bisbee, John Gould	Crouch, Robert	Hartnell, Uldarico
Bishop, Amasa Wright	Culbertson, Andrew Th'pson	Haskell, William Barnabas
Black, Samuel Thorburn	Cunningham, Robt. Gilmore	Hayward, Alvinza
Blackmer, Eli Tucker	Outler, Thomas Barnes	Helwig, Charles John
Bradford, William	Davis, William Buckley	Hewel, Adolphus
Brady, Alexander Buchanan	Dauchy, Arthur Homer	Hiller, John N
Bragg, Ansel Melen	Dobrowsky, Adolph	Hinds, Peter Richmond
Brooks, Frank Howard	Douglas, William John	Hudson, William Gordon
Browne, John Mills	Drullard, Thompson Wilson	Hunnewell, Freeman
Broder, Robert Chidley	Dundas, Moubray Robert	Irwin Alexander Cameron
Burke, Martin John	Dunn, Daniel C	Kay, Wallace
Burr, Richard Palmer	Ellen, Elle	Keller, Henry Aloysius
Bush, Charles Wilson	Eppinger, Herman	Kellogg, Cornelius
Bystle, Daniel Potter	Flint, Thomas, Sr.	Kincaid, Isaac Philanson

Kinkade, John Thompson	Menzies, Stewart	Skinner, John Dodd
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Knight, George Horace	Myrick, Milton Hills	Stansfield, Halstead
Knorp, Albert Frederick	Orme, Henry Sayre	Steel, Thomas Hugh
Last, Carl Fred. August	Patton, Charles Lewis	Sternheim, Samuel
Lawrence, William Lee	Petrie, William Monroe	Storey, William Bainbridge
Lawson, Powell Samuel	Pierce, William Frank	Surface, John Whitten
Lewis, James Clinton	Poore, George	Sweany, John
Litchfield, Joseph Miller	Prager, Samuel	Taylor, Clay Webster
Lithgow, John	Purdy, John Elbridge	Thompson, John Waldo
Locke, Isaac Stanwood	Quire, Joseph Spencer	Titus, Isaac Sutvene
Long, William Giles	Rackliffe, Levi	Tuttle, Benjamin Franklin
Lott, Charles Fayette	Ream, Daniel	Vanderhurst, William
Luther, William Thompson	Reed, Albert Levi	Variel, Joshua Hutchings
Lyman, Wm. Whittingham	Redpath, Robert	Variel, Robt. Henry Fa'ntly
Mann, Orin Francis	Rich, William Clinton	Voorbies, Edward Converse
Mannon, James Milton	Robertson, Henry David	Walbridge, John Morris
Marsh, Martin Luther	Rock, John William	Walker, George Russell
McBride, John Storer	Rodgers, Edwin Aldrich	Walker, Oscar Valentine
McDaniel, Rowland Jackson	Rogers, Samuel Josiah Smith	Waters, James
McFarland, Abel	Rolfe, Ianthis Jerome	Weil, Joseph
McFarland, Thomas Alonzo	Rooney, Robert Fleming	Weymouth, James Lambert
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Address of the Grand High Priest :

MILTON HILLS MYRICK, San Francisco.

Address of the Grand Secretary :

THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL, San Francisco.

Address of the Grand Lecturer :

THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL, San Francisco.

NOTICE.

The Thirty-eighth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of California will be holden at the Masonic Temple, in the City of San Francisco, commencing on Tuesday, the nineteenth day of April, A. I. 2422, A. D. 1892, at 10 o'clock A. M.

THOMAS H. CASWELL,

Grand Secretary.



PROCEEDINGS

-- OF THE --

Grand Chapter

-- OF --

ROYAL ARCH MASONS

-- OF THE --

STATE OF CALIFORNIA,



--- AT ITS ---

Annual Convocation,

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Grand Chapter of California.

I, THOMAS H. CASWELL, Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of California, do hereby certify that the following pages contain a true and faithful transcript of the proceedings of that Body, at its Thirty-eighth Annual Convocation, commenced at the City of San Francisco on Tuesday, the nineteenth day of April, A. D. 1892, A. I. 2422, and of the returns of the subordinate Chapters and other matters authorized to be published.



In Testimony Whereof,

I have hereunto appended my official signature, and have affixed the Seal of the Grand Chapter of the State of California, at the City of San Francisco, this tenth day of May, A. D. 1892, A. I. 2422.

Thos H. Caswell,
Grand Secretary.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND CHAPTER
OF
ROYAL ARCH MASONS
OF THE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
AT ITS
THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVOCATION
HELD AT THE
Masonic Temple, City of San Francisco;
COMMENCED ON
TUESDAY, APRIL 19, A. D. 1892, A. I. 2422,
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GRAND OFFICERS

OF THE

Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons

OF THE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA,

For the year commencing April, A. I. 2422, and ending April, A. I. 2423.

M. E. WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS, GRAND HIGH PRIEST,.....Sacramento;
R. E. CHARLES RAY GRITMAN, DEP. GRAND HIGH PRIEST, Napa;
R. E. ELLISON L. CRAWFORD, GRAND KING,.....Georgetown;
R. E. ADOLPHUS HEWEL, GRAND SCRIBE,.....Modesto;
R. E. HIRAM THROOP GRAVES, GRAND TREASURER,.....San Francisco;
R. E. THOS. HUBBARD CASWELL, GRAND SECRETARY,.....San Francisco;
E. ALFRED THOS. PERKINS, GRAND CHAPLAIN,.....Alameda;
E. THOS. HUBBARD CASWELL, GRAND LECTURER,.....San Francisco;
E. THOMAS FLINT, SR., GRAND CAPT. OF THE HOST, San Juan;
E. WILLIAM FRANK PIERCE, GRAND ROYAL ARCH CAP'N, Alameda;
Comp. SAMUEL DAVID MAYER, GRAND ORGANIST, ... San Francisco;
" JAMES OGLESBY, GRAND GUARD,.....San Francisco.

GRAND CHAPTER

OF

ROYAL ARCH MASONS

OF THE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVOCATION.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of California commenced its thirty-eighth Annual Convocation at the Masonic Temple, in the City of San Francisco, on Tuesday, the nineteenth day of April, A. D. 1892, A. I. 2422, at ten o'clock, A. M.

Upon calling the roll of members, there were found present the following—

GRAND OFFICERS:

The M. E. MILTON HILLS MYRICK,	<i>Grand High Priest;</i>
" R. E. WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS,	<i>Deputy Grand High Priest;</i>
" R. E. CHARLES RAY GRITMAN,	<i>Grand King;</i>
" R. E. ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD,	<i>Grand Scribe;</i>
" R. E. HIRAM THROOP GRAVES,	<i>Grand Treasurer;</i>
" R. E. THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL,	<i>Grand Secretary;</i>
" E. ALFRED THOMAS PERKINS,	<i>Grand Chaplain;</i>
" E. THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL,	<i>Grand Lecturer;</i>
" E. ADOLPHUS HEWEL,	<i>Grand Capt. of the Host;</i>
" E. THOMAS FLINT, SR.,	<i>Grand Royal Arch Captain;</i>
Comp. SAMUEL DAVID MAYER,	<i>Grand Organist;</i>
" JAMES OGLESBY,	<i>Grand Guard:</i>

PAST GRAND OFFICERS:

The M. E. THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL,	<i>Past Grand High Priest;</i>
" M. E. JACOB HART NEFF,	" " " "
" M. E. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES,	" " " "
" M. E. HENRY HAY KNAPP,	" " " "
" M. E. NATHAN WESTON SPAULDING,	" " " "
" M. E. WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE,	" " " "
" M. E. EDWARD COLEMAN,	" " " "
" M. E. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE,	" " " "
" M. E. WILLIAM THOMPSON LUTHER,	" " " "
" M. E. WILLIAM VANDERHURST,	" " " "
" M. E. FRANKLIN HENRY DAY,	" " " "
" R. E. STEPHEN WING,	<i>Past Grand King;</i>

And the Representatives of fifty-eight chartered Chapters, together with a number of Past High Priests by service within the jurisdiction, entitled to seats.

There being more than a sufficient representation present, the Grand Chapter of California was opened in *Ample Form*, with music by the Choir, and prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

The Grand High Priest announced the following committee—

On Credentials : { Comp. Calvin Levi Gregory,
" Florin Leslie Jones,
" John Storer McBride.

After a brief recess, the committee presented the following report of officers of the chartered Chapters, or their duly appointed proxies, and Past High Priests by service within the jurisdiction, as being present and entitled to seats, viz.: from—

<i>San Francisco</i> , No. 1,....	{ WILLIAM HENRY DAVIS, High Priest; CHARLES JAMES KING, King; MILTON HILLS MYRICK, THEODORE EDWARD SMITH, ISAAC PHILANSON KINCAID, MOUBRAY ROBERT DUNDAS,	{ Past High Priests.
<i>Sonora</i> ,.....No. 2,....	{ EDUARD KEIL, High Priest and Past High Priest; STEPHEN WING, Past High Priest.	
<i>Sacramento</i> , ...No. 3,....	{ JACOB HYMAN, Jr., High Priest; WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE, WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS,	{ Past High Priests.
<i>California</i> ,.....No. 5,....	{ GEORGE DIETTERLE, High Priest; CHARLES WILLIAM DECKER, King; HIRAM THROOP GRAVES, FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, DAVID PUGH MARSHALL, HENRY ASCROFT, THOMAS KYLE, WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES,	{ Past High Priests.
<i>Nevada</i> ,.....No. 6,....	{ WILLIAM BARKER, High Priest and Past High Priest; THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL, IANTHIS JEROME ROLFE,	{ Past High Priests.
<i>Shasta</i> ,.....No. 9,....	MORRIS MEHON, High Priest and Past High Priest.	
<i>Sutter</i> ,.....No. 11,.....	MORRIS BRINN, High Priest.	
<i>Merced</i> ,.....No. 12,...	ROBERT GRACEY, King.	
<i>Washington</i> ,...No. 13,....	CHARLES E STONE, P. H. P. & prox. for H. P., K. & S.	
<i>Howard</i> ,.....No. 14,...	{ RALPH LOWE, High Priest and Past High Priest; DANIEL O DUNN, Past High Priest.	
<i>Cyrus</i> ,No. 15,....	{ CALVIN LEVI GREGORY, High Priest; CHARLES AMOS LARSON, King.	

<i>St. James</i> ,.....No. 16,....	{	GEORGE HUNTINGTON BURNHAM, H. P. and P. H. P.;	
		HENRY SYLVESTER MOREY, King.	
<i>Grass Valley</i> ,...No. 18,....	{	THEODORE HENRY WILHELM, P.H.P. & pr. f. H.P., K.&S.	
		EDWARD COLEMAN, Past High Priest.	
<i>Trinity</i> ,.....No. 19,.....		JOHN MCMURRY, High Priest and Past High Priest.	
<i>Franklin</i> ,.....No. 20,		THOMAS WILSON SERVIS, King.	
<i>Sierra</i> ,.....No. 21,.....		WILLIAM THOMPSON LUTHER, P.H.P. & pr. for H.P., K.&S.	
	{	MARCUS DYATHEKA GOSHEN, High Priest and P. H. P.;	
<i>Petaluma</i> ,.....No. 22,....		DEODATO GARINTO TOMASINI, King;	
	{	JAMES SINGLEY,	} Past High Priests.
		BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE,	
<i>Georgetown</i> ,...No. 25,.....		ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD, High Priest and P. H. P.	
<i>Della</i> ,.....No. 27,....	{	JOHN GOULD BISBEE, High Priest and Past High Priest;	
		ROBERT FLEMING ROONEY, Past High Priest.	
<i>Stockton</i> ,.....No. 28,.....		EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES, P.H.P. & pr. for H.P., K.&S.	
<i>Manzanita</i> ,...No. 29,.....		JOHN STORER MCBRIDE, High Priest & Past High Priest.	
	{	ALBERT MOORE KNAPP, High Priest & Past High Priest;	
<i>Napa</i> ,.....No. 30,....		NELSON MARBLE, Scribe;	
	{	HENRY HAY KNAPP,	} Past High Priests.
		CHARLES RAY GRITMAN,	
<i>Martinez</i> ,.....No. 31,		LEWIS CASS WITTENMYER, High Priest and P. H. P.	
<i>Los Angeles</i> ,...No. 33,.....		EDWARD ANTHONY PREUSS, King.	
<i>Naval</i> ,.....No. 35,....	{	JOHN WILTON WINTON, King;	
		GEORGE ROUNDS, Past High Priest.	
	{	JAMES BESTOR MERRITT, King;	
		NATHAN WESTON SPAULDING,	
<i>Oakland</i> ,.....No. 36,....	{	CHARLES EDWIN GILLETT,	} Past High Priests.
		WILLIAM FRANK PIERCE,	
		EDWARD HARRISON MORGAN,	
<i>Siloam</i> ,.....No. 37,.....		JACOB HART NEFF, High Priest and Past High Priest.	
<i>Santa Cruz</i> ,...No. 38,.....		BENJAMIN ANTHONY PLANT, Scribe.	
<i>Donner</i> ,.....No. 39,.....		WILLIAM FERDINAND WILKIE, King.	
<i>Rd Bluff</i> ,.....No. 40,.....		NATHANIEL MERRILL, High Priest and Past High Priest.	
<i>Temple</i> ,.....No. 41,....	{	JAMES MARTIN RODGERS, High Priest and P. H. P.	
		JOHN NELSON BESSE, Past High Priest.	
<i>Chico</i> ,.....No. 42,.....		EUGENE ERASTUS OANFIELD, High Priest.	
<i>Solano</i> ,.....No. 43,.....		JEROME BONAPARTE RICHARDSON, King and P. H. P.	
<i>Visalia</i> ,.....No. 44,.....		CHRISTIAN HAUSCH, King.	
	{	ALLAN BRYANT, High Priest;	
<i>Santa Rosa</i> ,...No. 45,....		ALLEN BOSLEY LEMMON, King;	
		PETER NICHOLAS STOFEN, Scribe.	
<i>Lassen</i> ,.....No. 47,.....	{	WILLIAM BROCKMAN, High Priest and Past High Priest;	
		JOHN RANSHAW LOCKWOOD, Past High Priest.	
<i>Dixon</i> ,.....No. 48,....	{	JOHN WILLIAM MCFADYEN, High Priest and P. H. P.;	
		WILLIAM HENRY WELLS, Past High Priest.	
	{	ANDREW ROBERTSON JAMISON, High Priest and P. H. P.;	
<i>Modesto</i> ,.....No. 49,....		FRANK ALBERT CRESSEY, King;	
		ADOLPHUS HEWEL, Past High Priest.	

<i>Ventura</i> ,.....	No. 50,.....	JAMES WALKER, High Priest and Past High Priest.
<i>Corinthian</i> ,....	No. 51,.....	BENJAMIN FRANKLIN THOMAS, P.H.P.& pr. f. H.P., K.&S.
<i>Humboldt</i> ,.....	No. 52,.....	THOMAS BARNES CUTLER, High Priest and P. H. P.
<i>Ukiah</i> ,.....	No. 53,.....	{ JAMES MILTON MANNON, High Priest and P. H. P.;
		{ EDWARD WARREN KING, Past High Priest.
<i>Keystone</i> ,.....	No. 56,.....	HENRY A KELLER, High Priest and Past High Priest.
<i>Signal</i> ,.....	No. 57,.....	AUGUST WACKERBARTH, King.
<i>Salinas</i> ,.....	No. 59,.....	{ CARLISLE STEWART ABBOTT, Scribe;
		{ WILLIAM VANDERHURST, Past High Priest.
<i>Columa</i> ,.....	No. 60,...	JOSEPH BAILEY COOKE, High Priest and Past High Priest.
<i>San Diego</i> ,....	No. 61,...	ELI TUCKER BLACKMER, High Priest and Past High Priest.
<i>San Luis</i> ,.....	No. 62,...	KAUFMAN GREEN, High Priest.
<i>St. Helena</i> ,....	No. 63,.....	WILLIAM WHITTINGHAM LYMAN, High Priest and P. H. P.
<i>Acacia</i> ,.....	No. 64,.....	GEORGE HORACE KNIGHT, High Priest and P. H. P.
<i>Antioch</i> ,.....	No. 65,.....	STEPHEN HORACE MCKELLIPS, King.
<i>Doric</i> ,.....	No. 66,.....	GEORGE EDWIN KENNEDY, High Priest and P. H. P.
<i>Riverside</i> ,.....	No. 67,.....	{ GEORGE SAXON CASTLEMAN, High Priest and P. H. P.;
		{ GEORGE DIMOCK CUNNINGHAM, Scribe.
<i>Hollister</i> ,.....	No. 68,.....	{ THOMAS FLINT, SR., High Priest and Past High Priest;
		{ THOMAS FLINT, JR., Past High Priest.
<i>Trigo</i> ,.....	No. 69,.....	EDWIN FORREST SELLECK, High Priest.
<i>Tulare</i> ,.....	No. 71,.....	JACOB FRANKLIN BOLLAR, High Priest.
<i>Oroton</i> ,.....	No. 72,.....	{ FLORIN LESLIE JONES, Past High Priest and proxy for
		{ High Priest, King and Scribe.
<i>Orange</i> ,.....	No. 73,.....	CARLOS FREDERICK MANSUR, High Priest and P. H. P.

Which report was concurred in, and the companions therein named were admitted to seats.

The reading of the proceedings of the last Annual Convocation was dispensed with, the members being furnished with printed copies thereof.

The Grand High Priest then delivered his Annual Address, as follows:—

COMPANIONS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF CALIFORNIA:—

You have assembled for your thirty-eighth Annual Convocation. Those of you who were here a year ago, renewed personal friendships and formed new ones, and exchanged greetings, gathering what you could of further information, and went down to your respective jurisdictions better prepared to perform your duties as citizens, better prepared to exemplify true Masonic character, and better prepared to carry on the operations of your respective Chapters; and you are now here to again renew old and form new ties, and again gather strength and light. You who are now here for the first, come as the messengers of your companions, to add what you may to the general weal, to strengthen where you can, and to receive for their behoof the benefits of fraternal association and fraternal conference. These Convocations are for consultations, and have legislative and judicial functions. You are to establish Masonic law, to construe it, and to administer it.

The laws which you have heretofore established have been so just, and their administration so harmonious, that you have but little to do, save to review the actions of your officers and make such suggestions as your experience and thoughtfulness may indicate.

Whatever convulsions may have disorganized the general world—whatever political, national or social agitations may have threatened or disturbed,—our Order has pursued its even course; harmony and good fellowship have prevailed, and fraternal feeling has been strengthened.

It has been said that where history has the least to record, there the greatest happiness prevails. Men do not set down the even tenor of pleasant lives. It is cause for congratulation, then, that there is so little to be said on the present occasion.

I have but to report to you the ordinary doings of an uneventful year, and to make a few suggestions for your consideration.

At your last Convocation, April 22d, 1891, your body passed a resolution, authorizing your presiding officer to subscribe for one hundred shares, \$2,000, of the stock of the Masonic Temple Association. The subscription was made April 23d.

May 1st, 1891, a commission was issued to Comp. H. S. ORME, Past Grand High Priest, to constitute *Orange Chapter*, No. 73, and install its officers.

May 2d, 1891, a commission was issued to Comp. MARTIN W. KALES to represent this Grand Chapter near the Grand Chapter of Arizona.

May 8th, 1891, I received, and have in hand, bonds of your officers, viz: Comp. T. H. CASWELL, R. E. Grand Secretary, \$6,000, and Comp. H. T. GRAVES, R. E. Grand Treasurer, \$10,000.

November 17th, 1891, dispensations were granted to *Georgetown Chapter*, No. 25, to ballot on petitions for degrees in less than the usual time.

January 9, 1892, a dispensation was issued to *Woodland Chapter*, No. 46, to elect officers; also, January 28th, to *Acacia Chapter*, No. 64, and February 20th, to *Visalia Chapter*, No. 44, for the same purpose.

February 4, 1892, I received from *San Francisco Chapter*, No. 1, a proposed amendment to its by-laws, that a given number of years of active membership shall constitute life membership without payment of further dues. I have deemed it best to submit this proposed amendment to your consideration without recommendation.

I have received and approved proposed amendments to by-laws, as follows:—

Changing time of meeting, *Benicia Chapter*, No. 7, *Nevada Chapter*, No. 6;

Changing location, from Livermore to San Leandro, *Doric Chapter*, No. 66;

Changing fee for affiliation, *Oakland Chapter*, No. 36, *Chico Chapter*, No. 42, *Lassen Chapter*, No. 47, and *Stockton Chapter*, No. 28;

Reducing dues, *Ventura Chapter*, No. 50, *Solano Chapter*, No. 43, *Napa Chapter*, No. 30, *Los Angeles Chapter*, No. 33, *Chico Chapter*, No. 42, *Lassen Chapter*, No. 47, and *Oakland Chapter*, No. 36;

Reducing fees for degrees, *Georgetown Chapter*, No. 25, *Ventura Chapter*, No. 50, *Somora Chapter*, No. 2, *Dixon Chapter*, No. 48, *Sierra Chapter*, No. 21, *Antioch Chapter*, No. 5, *Orange Chapter*, No. 73, *Temple Chapter*, No. 41, and *Siloam Chapter*, No. 37.

I had intended to have been present at the installation of officers, in several of the Chapters, in December and January, but my enforced absence from the State

during those months prevented me from doing so. I have, however, during the year, visited several Chapters, and have found them loyal in attachment to this Grand Chapter, and hospitable to its officers. In general I have found the Chapters in good working order; in some the work was excellent. I have in mind more than one (of course omitting names) where the work was in gratifying harmony, as well in manner as in matter, with the best.

So far as I have had opportunity of ascertaining, there is in general an earnest desire on the part of the presiding officers of the subordinate Chapters for the prosperity of the bodies under them; and this feeling is often participated in by individual members. It has, however, been mentioned, in some cases, that the majority of members were not as active or as energetic as might be desired. I have been asked by some of the High Priests what could be done to incite individual members to more punctual attendance and greater activity. My opinion is that the members invariably take their motive from the chair; as the High Priest moves, so moves the Chapter. The leader of a military organization first fits himself for the drill, and then goes at fitting others. He is not fit to lead until he is himself fit to be in the lead. He does not urge the others forward, and then go to sleep; but he is ever active, alert, energetic. If the followers become sluggish, he does not permit himself to be so, but he puts on double force to bring them up. So, I would say to the High Priest, Fit yourself for the work, and then fit others. Don't relax your efforts; keep at it. It may sometimes be discouraging, but don't give up nor hold back. If you suffer yourself to be dull, your whole Chapter will be dull and discouraged. If you show energy and perseverance, you will bring your Chapter up to your level. Address yourself to cultivating the best there is in yourself and in your members. Don't appeal to, nor participate in, nor permit, anything that is beneath a gentleman. This is a body of gentlemen, based on the highest principles of virtue, morality and truth. Never permit, under any circumstances, in any gathering connected with Masonry, any trifling with either virtue, morality or truth. Appeal to men's intellect, and to their good sense, and you will never appeal in vain.

Let the High Priest become himself "dead-letter perfect" in the work, and then let him study manner and style in delivery and execution. The language of our ritual is choice and expressive; let it be so spoken as that every sentence, every word, shall convey their full meaning, with force and effect.

I venture the assertion that there is no Chapter in this State which has not at least one man who can not only learn but do the work. Let him do, on all occasions, the best there is in him, and he will stir up and lead his whole Chapter; or, if there be any not willing to be so led, let them stay away—for the Chapter would do better without them. These suggestions are not the suggestions of a novice—I speak them after an experience in the Order of forty-three years. Simply learning the ritual and saying it over, is not sufficient—it must be spoken with emphasis and spirit, as if the words had meaning.

It has grown into quite a custom to have provided in Chapters either a "banquet" or a "collation." In visiting Chapters, I have invariably requested that on such occasions, "banquets" should be omitted—saying that the Chapters could find other more profitable ways for spending the funds. A "collation," however, is not only acceptable, but is frequently of practical benefit, especially where members travel, as they sometimes do, miles to a meeting. These collations are the occasions for friendly interchange of courtesy and good feeling. You are always more kindly disposed toward a man with whom you have eaten.

On Tuesday, the ninth day of December, 1891, being in Boston, I visited the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, at its Annual Convocation. The fact of the visit, and the manner of reception, are recorded on page 29 of the published proceedings of that body. I wish to here express to you my cordial appreciation of the kindness and fraternal courtesy of Comp. J. ALBERT BLAKE, *M. E.* Grand High Priest, and of Comp. SERANUS BOWEN, *R. E.* Grand Secretary and Grand Lecturer, and through you to them my hearty thanks.

During the Convocation the Chapter degrees were exemplified in open Grand Chapter. At the request of the *M. E.* Grand High Priest, the Grand Lecturer presided, he having selected from different Chapters assistants who were proficient. The degrees were thus fully exemplified, each part being done as thoroughly as if in a subordinate Chapter with real candidates. I cannot speak too highly of the work, as well in detail as in gross. The degrees were made very impressive. The work was not done to empty seats. That great body of Masons was in constant attendance, and it seemed to me that the members were as desirous of learning the correct work as they were of attending to the customary Grand Chapter business. There was a finish and completeness in the manner as well as in the matter, which was very attractive. It made a marked impression on my mind. I came home determined to lay the matter before our own officers as well as before this Grand Chapter. I stated the matter to our *R. E.* Grand Lecturer, Comp. CASWELL, and requested him to join me in causing the same to be done before you. He at once acceded to the request, saying that in former years he had done so, but that lately it had fallen into disuse. I thereupon requested him to make ready to exemplify the Mark Master and Royal Arch degrees before the Grand Chapter at this Convocation, he to select from different Chapters companions competent to do the work. He has complied, and unless you shall otherwise order, he will cause the Mark Master degree to be exemplified before you to-day, and the Royal Arch to-morrow.

You will permit me to say, that in my opinion an hour each day cannot be more profitably occupied. This will do much to bring about uniformity and completeness. Each of you will take home to his own Chapter the impressions here received, and will give his companions the benefit thereof. Good work, true work, finished work, and, if you please, polished work, is the work needed for our Masonic Temple—the temple we are erecting in human minds and human hearts.

Such work will attract—such work will not be done to empty seats, but will draw your members to your meetings, and will induce others to join.

I present to you, whether it would not be well to have a standing order that at each Annual Convocation all the Chapter degrees be fully exemplified.

My hope is, that our Masonic rooms will be, next to your individual homes, the most attractive places in your towns. You who are from the interior Chapters are well aware that a great point is gained if your members have a place of pleasant social refined meeting, and that you have none “but such as will promote to the utmost of their power, the great end of our institution,” “where brotherly love shall prevail, and every moral and social virtue cement us.”

If I have made any suggestion worthy of your consideration, which, under your authority, shall be carried forward to fruition by my successors, my year in office will not have been in vain.

MILTON HILLS MYRICK,
Grand High Priest.

The Address was referred to a special committee of three.

The Deputy Grand High Priest announced as such committee—

On Grand High Priest's Address :	}	Comp. William Abraham Davies,
		" Jacob Hart Neff,
		" William Vanderhurst.

The Grand Secretary presented his Annual Report, as follows :

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California :—

The undersigned respectfully submits this, his fourteenth Annual Report of the transactions of his office since the last Annual Convocation, together with such other matters as should properly be presented to the Grand Chapter for its consideration :—

As soon as was possible after the close of the last Annual Convocation the transactions thereof were printed and distributed, as follows : One copy to each of the Grand Officers and Past Grand Officers of this Grand Chapter ; one copy to each of our Representatives near other Grand Chapters ; three copies to each Grand Chapter with which we are in communication, and four copies to each of the subordinate Chapters of this Grand Jurisdiction.

No dispensations for the forming of new Chapters have been issued during the year ; but by order of the Grand High Priest, the following special dispensations have been issued, viz :—

On the seventeenth day of November, 1891, three to *Georgetown* Chapter, No. 25, to ballot on petitions for the degrees of Royal Arch Masonry in less than the constitutional period of time.

On January nineteenth, 1892, to *Woodland* Chapter, No. 46, to elect officers at other than the constitutional time.

On January twenty-eighth, 1892, to *Acacia* Chapter, No. 64, and on February twentieth, 1892, to *Visalia* Chapter, No. 44, for the same purpose.

On the second day of May, 1891, by order of the Grand High Priest, a commission was issued to Comp. MARTIN WILLIAM KALES, as Representative of this Grand Chapter near the Grand Chapter of Arizona.

Amendments to the By-Laws of the following subordinate Chapters—all approved by the Grand High Priest—are herewith submitted for reference to the usual committee, viz :—

Oakland Chapter, No. 36, increasing the fee for the degrees to one hundred dollars.

Reducing the fee for degrees—*Sonora*, No. 2; *Sierra*, No. 21; *Georgetown*, No. 25; *Siloam*, No. 37; *Temple*, No. 41; *Dixon*, No. 48; *Ventura*, No. 50, *Antioch*, No. 65, and *Orange*, No. 73.

Reducing monthly dues—*Napa*, No. 30; *Los Angeles*, No. 33; *Oakland*, No. 36; *Chico*, No. 42; *Solano*, No. 43, and *Ventura*, No. 50.

Reducing affiliation fee—*Chico*, No. 42. Abolishing said fee—*Stockton*, No. 28, and *Crown*, No. 72.

Changing time of meeting—*Nevada*, No. 6; *Benicia*, No. 7; *Keystone*, No. 56, and *Orange*, No. 73.

Adoption of the Uniform Code, by *Lassen* Chapter, No. 47.

A communication from Comp. J. C. CRIGLER, a charter member of the late *Lakeport* Chapter, No. 54, praying for restoration to the rights and privileges of Royal Arch Masonry, is herewith submitted for such action as the Grand Chapter may deem proper. It is well known to the members of this Grand Body that

when a charter of a Chapter is revoked, all the members of said Chapter are, by operation of law, suspended, unless specially excepted in the resolution of revocation. In the case of *Lakeport* Chapter the original members were not excepted; and Comp. CRIGLER, though no longer a resident of Lakeport, and had not been for some time previous to the acts which led to such revocation, was nevertheless deprived of his Royal Arch privileges, and for no other reason than that he was one of the originators of No. 54. He is now a resident of Hanford, in Tulare county; is highly respected by all, and is desirous of uniting with other Royal Arch Masons in that place in establishing a new Chapter thereat. The undersigned cordially recommends the granting of the request.

Communications relative to two of our subordinate Chapters are also submitted for the consideration of the Grand Chapter—*La Fayette*, No. 24, and *Alturas*, No. 34—from which it will appear that these Chapters, though regular reports have been made and annual dues paid, are in a state of coma so profound that to restore them to a vigorous activity will require both careful nursing and bracing tonics. Neither of these Chapters have elected officers for three years past; and neither has had a meeting for any purpose for over a year. Yet both are sure of eventual prosperity if the efforts now being made to resume gravel mining be successful. It is for this Grand Chapter to say whether, in its opinion, their hopes in this direction are well founded.

There is but one matter that can properly be placed under the head of "unfinished business"—the surrender of charter by *Oliver* Chapter, No. 23. The facts connected with this Chapter were fully stated by the undersigned in his last annual report and are not necessary to be again repeated. The subject was referred to the usual committee, and by it again referred to the Committee on Finances, which overlooked the matter in the press of its other business. By this oversight injustice was done to several worthy companions, who were desirous of affiliating with other Chapters, but could not do so, as the necessary certificate of standing was unprovided for. The undersigned suggests that the questions involved are those of law, and not of finance, and should be considered by the Committee on Jurisprudence instead of Finances. He therefore recommends that the whole subject matter be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

That Royal Arch Masonry is still prosperous in this Grand Jurisdiction will appear from the following, collated from the several reports of our subordinate Chapters:—

Number exalted during the year,.....	281
" affiliated,.....	90
" restored,.....	20
Total increase,.....	391
Number withdrawn,.....	78
" excluded,.....	16
" Suspended for non-payment of dues,.....	93
" Died,.....	95
Total decrease,.....	282
Net increase for the year,.....	109
Total number of affiliated Royal Arch Masons, January 31st, 1892,.....	4,846

The following is a statement of the financial transactions of the Grand Secretary's office for the past year:—

Herewith is submitted a statement of the financial transactions of the Grand Chapter for the year ending April 18th, 1892:—

RECEIPTS.

Balance of cash in hands of Grand Treasurer as per report of April 20th, 1891,.....	\$ 5,217 02
Dues received from chartered Chapters.....	3,637 50
“ “ “ member of late <i>Bodie</i> Chapter,.....	8 75
Dispensation fee to elect officers in four Chapters, viz:— <i>Colusa</i> , No. 60, <i>Woodland</i> , No. 46, <i>Acacia</i> , No. 64, and <i>Visalia</i> , No. 44,.....	20 00
Dispensation fee authorizing a ballot in <i>Georgetown</i> Chapter, No. 25,....	15 00
Fee for three (3) diplomas @ \$2,.....	6 00
Sale of nine (9) volumes proceedings,.....	18 00
Dividends received from “Masonic Hall Association” stock,.....	1,530 00
Interest on deposits in S. F. Savings Union,.....	6 42
Total receipts,.....	\$10,458 69

EXPENDITURES.

Expenses of delegates, Convocation of 1891,.....	\$ 1,109 00
“ “ Grand Officers and Finance Committee, 1891,.....	142 30
Salary of Grand Secretary,.....	1,800 00
Salary of Grand Organist,.....	25 00
“ “ “ Guard,.....	26 10
Pacific Surety Co. for premiums on bonds of Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer,.....	144 00
Contingent expenses of Grand Secretary's office,.....	144 40
Portrait Past Grand High Priest Franklin Henry Day,.....	77 50
Dues to General Grand Chapter,.....	47 60
Printing and binding proceedings of 1891,.....	620 00
Assessment No. 1, on “Masonic Temple Association” stock,...	200 00
Rent of Grand Secretary's office,.....	280 00
Expenses of Grand High Priest,.....	25 00
Total expenditures,.....	\$4,640 90

Which, deducted from receipts, leaves a balance of cash in hands of the Grand Treasurer of.....	\$5,817 79
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Your Committee find the assets of the Grand Chapter to be as follows:—

Cash in the hands of the Grand Treasurer,.....	\$ 5,817 79
1,700 shares Masonic Hall Association's stock @ \$20,.....	34,000 00
100 “ “ Temple stock,.....	200 00
Total.....	\$40,017 79

All which is respectfully submitted.

THOMAS FLINT, JR., IANTHIS JEROME ROLFE, ISAAC PHILANSON KINCAID, CHARLES EDWIN GILLET,	} Committee.
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Which report was concurred in.

Comp. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, Representative of the Grand Chapters of the District of Columbia, Missouri, and Virginia; Comp. FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, Representative of the Grand Chapters of Arizona and Illinois; and Comp. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE, Representative of the Grand Chapter of Nebraska, near this Grand Chapter, presented the greetings of these Grand Bodies, which were ordered to be printed with the proceedings, as follows:—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California:—

The undersigned again attempts the discharge of a very pleasant duty in representing, before the Grand Chapter of California, the Royal Arch Masons of the grand old States of Virginia and Missouri. The Grand Chapter of Virginia was organized in 1806, and with its thirty-one constituent Chapters forms the Royal Arch of the Masonic edifice in that venerable State.

The Grand Chapter of Missouri was organized in 1846, and with its ninety-seven constituents is a fine representative of the vigor and growth of the great Valley. I append hereto, the answer to a dispatch forwarded by me to Hon. JAMES B. AUSTIN, Grand High Priest, last year, but which did not reach me until after the close of the session. To make it intelligible I will give both dispatch and answer:

“SAN FRANCISCO, April 21, 1891.

JAMES B. AUSTIN, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons Missouri, St. Louis.

The Grand Chapter of California, now in session, sends greetings to the Grand Chapter of Missouri, at its forty-fourth Annual Convocation. We wish you success, but if difficulties should arise among your workmen and you get crowded out, come west.

WM. A. DAVIES,

Representative of Missouri near California.”

ANSWER.

“HALL OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS
OF MISSOURI.

ST. LOUIS, April 23, 1891.

To WM. A. DAVIES, care T. H. CASWELL, Masonic Temple, San Francisco, Cal.

The M. E. Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Missouri, now in session, 400 strong, responds to the fraternal greetings of her Companions of California, and with grateful hearts wishes them prosperity, Capitular and secular. The hearts of Missouri Masons are big enough to reach to California without our going west.

Fraternally,

WM. H. MAYO,

Grand Secretary.”

I also have the additional honor, this year, to represent the Grand Chapter of the District of Columbia. This Grand Body is located at the Capital of the Nation, it was organized in 1867, and its nine constituents represent the Royal Arch Masons of nearly every State in the Union, who have migrated to Washington to answer the varied interests of business, politics and pleasure. This Grand Body is ably conducted, and represents most creditably the interests of the Royal Craft at the Capital of the Nation.

I fraternally tender the Royal Arch greetings of these three Grand Chapters, and in their behalf wish the Grand Chapter of California a harmonious, instructive and profitable session, in this, the thirty-eighth year of existence.

WM. A. DAVIES,

*Representative of the Grand Chapters of
Virginia, Missouri and the District of Columbia.*

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California :—

The undersigned, as Representative of the Grand Chapters of Illinois and Arizona, desires to present to the Grand Chapter of California, on this its thirty-eighth Annual Convocation, the fraternal greetings of both those Grand Bodies.

Capitular Masonry in Illinois is healthy and progressive, the numerical strength of its earnest adherents being more than 14,000.

The grim Reaper has gathered into his fold, within the last year, one of their Past Grand High Priests, Comp. JOHN DALLAS HAMILTON, who received and obeyed the summons to appear before the "Great White Throne," August 13, 1891.

Comp. GIL W. BARNARD presides over the Recording and Archives Department, and while he has charge of that important branch of the Grand Chapter of Illinois, its supporters and adherents may rest assured their interests will be well subserved.

The Grand Chapter of Arizona is still in its infancy, having held its second Annual Convocation in November last, but the enthusiasm manifested at that session warrants the belief that it is inspired with the true sentiments of Capitular Masonry.

Fraternally,

FRANKLIN H. DAY,

Representative.

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of California :—

As the Representative of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Nebraska, I have the honor of presenting the fraternal greetings of that Grand Body, and to congratulate the Grand Chapter of California on the healthy increase of the membership of the Royal Craft, as well as on its financial prosperity, as shown in the reports of its Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer. I further desire to congratulate this body of Royal Arch Masons for the high moral tone and manly utterances embraced in the Annual Address of the retiring M. E. Grand High Priest. I shall take great pleasure in the fact that the Grand Chapter which I have the honor to represent, will give a most emphatic endorsement of the sentiments contained therein, and a dual amen, for the moral courage that inspired them. As a member of this Grand Chapter I desire to thank the M. E. Grand High Priest for his exalted and manly address, and trust that the seed thus sown may bear fruit a thousand fold.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN F. TUTTLE,

Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Nebraska.

Comp. THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL, from the Committee on Correspondence, presented the following report, the reading of which was dispensed with, the members being furnished with printed copies thereof :—

To the Grand Chapter of California:—

Your Committee on Correspondence acknowledge the receipt, and submit a report upon, the published transactions of the several Grand Chapters mentioned in the following list, which includes all that were received at the time we finished our work:—

ALABAMA,.....	1891	MONTANA,.....	1891
ARIZONA,.....	1891	NEBRASKA,.....	1891
ARKANSAS,.....	1891	NEVADA,.....	1891
CANADA,.....	1891	NEW HAMPSHIRE,.....	1891
COLORADO,.....	1891	NEW JERSEY,.....	1891
CONNECTICUT,.....	1891	NEW YORK,.....	1891
DELAWARE,.....	1891	NORTH CAROLINA,.....	1891
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,.....	1891	NORTH DAKOTA,.....	1891
FLORIDA,.....	1891	NOVA SCOTIA,.....	1891
GEORGIA,.....	1891	OHIO,.....	1891
ILLINOIS,.....	1891	OREGON,.....	1891
INDIANA,.....	1891	PENNSYLVANIA,.....	1890
INDIAN TERRITORY,.....	1891	QUEBEC,.....	1891
IOWA,.....	1891	RHODE ISLAND,.....	1891
KANSAS,.....	1891	SOUTH CAROLINA,.....	1891
KENTUCKY,.....	1891	SOUTH DAKOTA,.....	1891
LOUISIANA,.....	1891	TENNESSEE,.....	1891
MAINE,.....	1891	TEXAS,.....	1891
MARYLAND,.....	1891	VERMONT,.....	1891
MASSACHUSETTS,.....	1891	VIRGINIA,.....	1891
MICHIGAN,.....	1891	WASHINGTON,.....	1891
MINNESOTA,.....	1891	WEST VIRGINIA,.....	1891
MISSISSIPPI,.....	1891	WISCONSIN,.....	1891
MISSOURI,.....	1891		

ALABAMA.

The sixty-first Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Montgomery on the thirtieth day of November, 1891,—the *M. E.* JAMES T. BECK, Grand High Priest, presiding, the *R. E.* MYLES J. GREENE being Grand Secretary. There were present nine Past Grand Officers, six of whom were Past Grand High Priests, twenty-one Representatives of sister Grand Chapters, and the officers and proxies of thirty-four of the forty-one subordinate Chapters of the jurisdiction.

The Grand High Priest, in his excellent Address, says: "It is with chastened pleasure and worthy pride that we stand to-day where our honored fathers of this Grand Chapter stood over a half century ago; and as we feel the warm grasp of each other's hands, let our memories bring to life the worthy fathers whose places we now occupy." And expresses the hope that, with the memories of the glorious past, "the realities of the present and the prospects of the future will be the more inspiring." He reports the greatest harmony prevailing, as evidenced by the fact that no disputes of any kind have arisen, and no official rulings have been asked for.

One dispensation for the formation of a new Chapter, and fifteen special dispensations, principally for balloting on petitions and conferring degrees out of time, were issued during the year.

We agree with the Committee on the Address that the too frequent use of the dispensing power is of doubtful propriety, especially in authorizing the ballot on petitions and the conferring of degrees in a shorter time than the laws require. There are times, we admit, when this extraordinary power may be beneficially and even wisely exercised, but they are rare, and of the rarest.

We notice with pleasure that the exchequer of the Grand Chapter is gradually improving. The Grand Treasurer reports a balance on hand of \$721 22.

The veteran reporter, PALMER J. PILLANS, again wields his practiced pen on Correspondence, and further comment is unnecessary. Long may he continue to gratify and instruct us with his annual reports. The proceedings of forty-three Grand Chapters are reviewed, California for 1891 receiving favorable mention and criticism. He compliments Grand High Priest DAY's Address, and quotes approvingly our views on the subject of non-affiliation.

The following special Report on Correspondence was also submitted by Comp. PILLANS, and adopted by the Grand Chapter:—

"To the M. E. Grand Chapter of Alabama:—

"Advices of the regular and legal organization of the following Grand Chapters, viz: South Dakota, North Dakota, Indian Territory, Arizona and Montana, having been put into the hands of the Committee on Correspondence, the committee recommends that the M. E. Grand Chapter of Alabama extend to them severally the right hand of fellowship and warmly welcome them into the family circle. The committee also recommends an exchange of Representatives."

There are forty-one subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, having a total membership of 1060.

The M. E. JAMES TATE BECK was re-elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. MYLES JEFFERSON GREENE was re-elected Grand Secretary.

ARIZONA.

This Grand Chapter held its second Convocation in the city of Phoenix on the eleventh day of November, 1891,—the M. E. MARTIN WILLIAM KALES, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. GEORGE JAMES ROSKRUGE being Grand Secretary. Five Chapters, all in the jurisdiction, were represented. Our young sister of Arizona having just started on her Masonic career, the business transacted was necessarily brief and entirely local in character.

The Grand High Priest thus modestly opens his Address:—

COMPANIONS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ARIZONA:

The first year of our existence as a Grand Chapter has terminated, and we are permitted to form the mystic circle and offer devotions to the "Great I Am" around our own sacred altar. And while thanking Him for His tender mercies and forbearance in extending the lease of life of all our members, let us not forget that sister jurisdictions are mourning the loss of some of the greatest of Masonic lights of the world. ALBERT PIKE, ALFRED CHAPMAN, ALEXANDER G. ABELL, IRA BERRY, HIRAM BASSITT and others have passed away, companions and men whose lives and acts have been ably eulogized and whose places in Masonry cannot easily be filled.

We have good cause, my companions, to be thankful for prosperity, health and happiness. From one part of the world human beings are being driven from their homes, their property confiscated and indignities heaped upon them and their families, because of their determination to serve GOD in their own way, and of their refusal to change an inherited religious belief. Again, millions of starving people are crying for their daily bread in eastern lands, and disease and pestilence are following the track of famine. And we read that in the Orient thousands have recently perished from nature's turbulence. How grateful, then, should we feel that none of these afflictions and calamities have befallen us, and we should

realize more than ever our Masonic duty to practice deeds of charity, to relieve suffering humanity and distressed worthy companions wherever an opportunity is presented.

Our first year has ended as harmoniously as it began. No word of discord or any grievance has been reported to me, and a marked increase in membership shows that "the baby," as we have been termed, is developing in a satisfactory manner.

He had granted two dispensations to ballot on petitions for the Capitular degrees without reference to the usual committee. The following decisions were made, as we think correctly, and were approved by the Grand Chapter:—

"That it was illegal and improper to confer any of the Capitular degrees on Sunday."

"That a stated meeting of a Chapter could not be called off to a subsequent day or evening. That the transaction of all regular business must be confined to the evenings named as stated or regular meetings."

Comp. FRANKLIN H. DAY is the accredited Representative of the Grand Chapter of Arizona near the Grand Chapter of California. A better selection could not have been made.

Comp. GEORGE J. ROSKRUGE, Grand Secretary, made a detailed report of his official acts during the year. Comp. ROSKRUGE is also Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge F. and A. M. of Arizona, and is one of the most zealous workers in the Masonic cause in that Territory.

Appropriate mourning pages to the memory of Past Grand High Priests PIKE, CHAPMAN, ABELL and BASSETT are set apart in the proceedings, showing that the companions of that Territory are not unmindful of the good deeds of Masons in other jurisdictions.

The number of Royal Arch Masons upon the rolls of the five subordinate Chapters in this Grand Jurisdiction is 154—being a gain of 12 for the year.

The M. E. GEORGE W. CHEYNEY was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. GEORGE J. ROSKRUGE was re-elected Grand Secretary.

ARKANSAS.

This Grand Chapter held its forty-second Annual Convocation in the city of Little Rock on the nineteenth day of November, 1891,—the M. E. CHARLES N. RIX, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. JAMES A. HENRY being Grand Secretary. Ten Past Grand High Priests responded at roll call, and forty-four of the sixty-four Chapters were represented.

The Address of the Grand High Priest fills seventeen pages, and is not only eloquent, but full of instructive thought for the Mason in search of light. He congratulates his companions upon the favorable auspices under which they assembled in Annual Convocation, and says:—

"Amid the softening sunshine and invigorating air of our November ides just passed; amid the influence of peace, good will and harmony, personal, State and fraternal; amid, also, the trials and afflictions incident to all human life, are we again, my companions, permitted to welcome each other; to again brighten the chains of friendship, cement yet stronger the building stones in that beautiful temple of charity and brotherly love, and to bind up the wounds that affliction may have brought some of us, by words of cheerful, cordial greeting, sympathy, love and kindness. Amid the chastening influences of an all-wise Providence, we gather again our Royal Craft in a time-honored custom, and enter the sanctuary of our temple with reverence and love for that all-seeing eye whose sleepless vigil is ever penetrating the abode of our inmost thought or desire, yet into which every true Mason may fearlessly and peacefully look. Then let us hope that our motives, acts and deliberations shall ever have its beaming light of approval, and thus raise higher the esteem, honor and fidelity we have for the precepts and principles of our grand and time-honored Order."

He pays the following beautiful and well-deserved tribute to our late Comp. ALBERT PIKE, Past Grand High Priest of Arkansas :—

"Our beloved and Eminent Brother and Companion ALBERT PIKE is dead ; on the evening of April 2, 1891, at Washington, D. C., the Arch was broken ; a brilliant star in the firmament of Masonry has indeed set ; no longer will its guiding rays lead and direct us to the landmarks of the past ; a flower, most beautiful, effulgent in the rays of Masonic Light, that has bloomed in its majestic beauty of color, form and fragrance, yet is now cut down ; not with the North-wind's breath, but in the glory of our Southern April sunshine ; a leaf has fallen, aye, the very tree itself whereof it was born ; a Patriarch in the cultured forest of Freemasonry. Yet, though felled by the keen-edged Axe of Death, though the body and branches are severed from the sustenance of the branching roots, still will it forever flourish in immortal green.

"Such, my companions, is but a limited and homely tribute to the great genius, erudition, scholarly attainments and benevolence of our dead and revered companion, and as such every Mason in Arkansas, especially, will revere his name.

"He was our own, and we claim him, although he has passed by a way that has made 'darkness light unto him,' and from our earthly sight.

"In token of this reverence, affection and undying memory, I hereby direct that the Subordinate Chapters of this Grand Jurisdiction shall cause the altar to be suitably draped in mourning, and so remain for the period of three months, and that this testimonial be made a part of the record at the first regular convocation held after receipt hereof."

The Grand High Priest had granted one dispensation for a new Chapter, and stated that he had been officially notified of the organization of the Grand Chapter of Montana, and recommended that the Grand Chapter of Arkansas extend to the Grand Chapter of Montana appropriate fraternal greetings.

Of the condition of Capitular Masonry in Arkansas, he says, "there are no fevers of spite nor chills of discord among the companions that have come to my notice. There might be a little more vigorous course of regular exercise prescribed for this great body, whereby its health could be placed beyond the needful visit of a yearly exhortation."

On the recommendation of the Grand High Priest a resolution was adopted directing "the Secretary of each subordinate Chapter to send official notices of the suspensions, expulsions or reinstatement of any of its members to the Council of Royal and Select Masters and Commanderies of Knights Templars within whose jurisdiction such Chapter may be situated." A most excellent provision, and one that if adopted generally, would not only save much confusion but be of incalculable benefit to the bodies named who under the present rule must rely upon chance alone for information upon matters of the utmost importance to all concerned. California would do well to follow so excellent an example.

Another recommendation was made, but not adopted by the Grand Chapter, which, in view of the efforts being made to establish a "Masonic Home" in California, we quote as information worthy of consideration, viz :—

"I recommend that the per diem, now allowed to representatives in the Grand Chapter, be abolished; and the money thus saved be set aside to form the nucleus of a fund to establish a Masonic Home. No act of this Grand Chapter, in my humble judgment, could be inaugurated, or by the Masons of Arkansas, that would prove more beneficial, redound greater to the credit of Masonry, work out in good earnest its principles of charity, brotherly love and relief, than such provisions for the establishment of a home for the orphans of our brothers, that thereby they may be enabled to become good and useful Christian men and women. This will work no hardship, nor deprive any Chapter of a proper representation, as I cannot conceive it likely that any companion who is honored by being placed in an office that makes him a representative to this Grand Chapter will desire his board bills paid, especially when he understands that the amount thus saved to the Grand Chapter becomes a fund which, when expended, will exemplify the principles we cherish, and lead us to aid the distressed as well as our own dependents. Is there a more auspicious occasion to inaugurate this among the Craft?

The Report on Correspondence was presented by Comp. R. J. LAUGHLIN—this being his fourth—and, notwithstanding its brevity, he has put a great deal into the twenty-eight pages under review. He commences his report by saying:—

“We shall continue the same policy of selecting some of the most beautiful expressions from the addresses of Grand High Priests, collecting and reporting all important official acts and decisions, which may be of interest as precedents, inserting our own comments only where they will throw light on our practices, or explain why we differ with other jurisdictions, without any effort at controversy with other correspondents.”

He gives statistical tables containing the number of subordinate Chapters in each Grand Jurisdiction, the gain or loss in membership, and a statement of the work done by each during the year.

The report is an excellent one.

The Grand Treasurer reported the comfortable balance on hand of \$2,387.06.

The total membership of the subordinate Chapters of the jurisdiction is 1893.

The M. E. FAY HEMPSTEAD was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. JAMES A. HENRY was re-elected Grand Secretary.

CANADA.

The thirty-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Canada was held at Toronto on Friday, the twenty-fourth day of July, 1891,—the M. E. J. J. MASON, Grand Z., presiding, and the R. E. DAVID McLELLAN being Grand Scribe E. Fifty-six of the eighty-two subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Address of the Grand Z. is brief but comprehensive, and from its tenor we infer that his official duties have not been particularly arduous. Of the condition of Capitular Masonry he says:—

“Without desiring to encroach on the domain of the committee on this subject, I cannot help expressing my great gratification in the belief that there has been a marked revival in the work of the Royal Craft. I can easily understand the difficulties that Chapters have to contend with as compared with the Lodges. The number of working officers required is larger, and the work more difficult, and under these circumstances a general improvement must give us all much pleasure.”

He feelingly and fraternally alludes to the death of a number of Companions who had passed away during the year, and thus makes proper mention of their memory:—

“Our joy, however, is mingled with sorrow in that we have to lament the death of some of our beloved Companions, some in the prime of life, and some who had lived to a good old age. Prominent amongst those who have passed from our midst are R. E. Comp. W. J. B. McLEOD MOORE, and R. E. Comp. JAMES A. HENDERSON. R. E. Comp. MOORE was best known in Templar Masonry, to which he had devoted the best energies of his life, and through which his name had become familiar throughout the Templar world. R. E. Comp. HENDERSON became endeared to us more particularly in Blue Masonry. As a member and as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, his smiling face and cheery voice were always thrice welcome. Loving and lovable, we may well say of him, ‘we will record his name in our hearts and treasure it in our memories; he shall live in the exercise of his virtues.’”

The Grand Z. had been called upon to make but few decisions. Among them was one relating to physical qualifications. He decided that a “Master Mason who had lost his right arm was not eligible for the Chapter degrees.” Correct.

Dispensations had been issued for the formation of two new Chapters during the year.

The reports of the "Grand Superintendents of Districts" is quite a feature of the Canada Proceedings and display great zeal and a great amount of work on the part of those officers. In many cases practical suggestions are made, which, if acted upon, will inevitably result in great benefit to the Craft.

Grand Treasurer MITCHELL reports a balance in the treasury of \$2,462 52, and the total assets of the Grand Chapter as amounting to \$17,962 52. An excellent showing.

The "Executive Committee on the Condition of Capitular Masonry" made a very interesting and instructive report. In it the following suggestions are made: "Every Royal Arch Mason should endeavor, by his presence at least, to encourage those who preside, and when officers perfect themselves and become well skilled in the work, they should not only be cheered, but have the approval of re-election until others come who show a like interest."

Comp. HENRY ROBERTSON again presents the Report on Correspondence, reviewing the proceedings of forty-seven Grand Chapters. California did not reach him in time for review, much to our regret. The report is a credit to its author and to the Grand Chapter which he so ably represents.

The total number of members on the roll of the Grand Chapter is 2,954.

The *M. E.* J. J. MASON was re-elected Grand Z., and the *R. E.* DAVID McLELLAN was re-elected Grand Scribe E.

COLORADO.

The seventeenth Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Denver on the seventeenth day of September, 1891,—the *M. E.* CRYLON E. OLIN, Grand High Priest, presiding, the *R. E.* EDWARD C. PARMELEE being Grand Secretary. Representatives from twenty-four subordinate Chapters were present.

The Grand High Priest's Address briefly recites his official acts and is confined mainly to home topics. He says the "Masonic year now closed has been one in which the present and past Grand Officers of this Grand Chapter have been particularly blessed. That unseen messenger, Death, has not called for any of the Grand Officers, but, my Companions, while we have been thus blessed and the inexorable messenger has passed us by, he has not forgotten to call for some of the members of our subordinate Chapters. While we join with the Chapters that have been afflicted, and with them mourn their loss, yet let us hope, and I think may feel assured, that their names are recorded in the books of the Grand Chapter of Heaven, where the signatures of all true Masons will at last appear."

The Grand High Priest made the following decisions:—

During my term of office a few questions have been submitted to me for decision, only two of which I deem of sufficient importance to engage your attention. *Trinidad Chapter, No. 23, asks:* "Can we make Comp. BENJAMIN L. GREEN a life member without dues? The Chapter has a kindly feeling toward him and would like to do him this favor if we can. *Answer:* "No: your By-Laws prescribe the amount a Companion must pay and they cannot be set aside."

Denver Chapter, No. 2, asks: "Are not the By-Laws making it obligatory for a brother to be a Master Mason six months before petitioning for the Chapter degrees, in conflict with the General Grand Chapter?" *Answer:* "No; I cannot find anything in the General Grand Chapter By-Laws that is conflicting."

We do not concur in the first decision. It is contrary to the practice of very many Grand Jurisdictions, and is tantamount to saying that a subordinate shall not practice charity as it may please, nor reward the meritorious and deserving in a manner by it deemed most appropriate.

The Grand Treasurer's report shows a balance on hand of \$2,618 17.

The Grand Secretary, EDWARD C. PARMELEE, presented a business-like report—it being his seventh—in which he speaks of the books and periodicals received for the library during the year.

At the first day's session the Grand Chapter, after consideration and amendment, adopted the Constitution and By-Laws, as presented by the Committee on Revision appointed at last session.

The Grand Chapters of Arizona and Montana were fraternally recognized in the following pleasing terms: "Having received official notice of the organization of the Grand Royal Arch Chapters of Arizona and Montana, the Grand Chapter of Colorado with joy, pleasure and fraternal greeting, welcomes them into fellowship, with sincere wishes for their future prosperity and success."

The Report on Correspondence was prepared by Comp. ERNEST LE NEVE FOSTER. He reviews the proceedings of forty-six Grand Chapters, including those of the General Grand Chapter. The report is the chief attraction of the Colorado proceedings, containing as it does 110 pages of good reading matter, while the Journal of proceedings occupies only twenty pages.

His review of our proceedings is full and fraternal. Grand High Priest FRANKLIN H. DAY is approvingly quoted, and the Committee on Correspondence are kindly remembered.

Under District of Columbia, he quotes Comp. SINGLETON on objection to advancement:—

If Comp. FOSTER can point to any such case of his own knowledge, or as having it duly authenticated, we will surrender our position, but we cannot do so otherwise. Our opinions are predicated upon, in the first place, the fundamental principles of our confraternity. The applicant being a *brother*, is emphatically entitled to justice. Secondly, our experience in the workings of all the Masonic bodies for fifty years, shows us that more trouble has grown out of a violation of the *justice* of the case than could possibly result from our position; and thirdly, since we have introduced the *true* system into our jurisprudence in the District of Columbia, both in the Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter, everything connected with this point has resulted in good.

Commenting on this, Comp. FOSTER says:—

"We have had our say and will not add anything more, but we are not yet convinced of the unsoundness of our position. Possibly when we have had fifty years of experience instead of but seventeen, as at present, we may change to Comp. SINGLETON's views, for we are trying to learn from those more experienced than ourselves."

In conclusion Comp. FOSTER says:—"Our endeavor has been to give a brief synopsis of the condition of the Royal Craft throughout the several jurisdictions, selecting such portions for quotation as we deemed of special interest to the companions of the jurisdiction, for whose information our labors in the quarries have been specially directed. Hoping that these efforts may not have been fruitless, and that some good may come from them, we fraternally submit our report."

Here we reluctantly part from Comp. FOSTER, rejoicing that he holds the quill for another year.

There are twenty-six subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, having a total membership of 1,946.

The M. E. WILLIAM W. ROLLER was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. ED. C. PARMELEE was re-elected Grand Secretary.

CONNECTICUT.

The ninety-third Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of New Haven on the twelfth day of May, 1891,—the *M. E.* GILBERT L. HEWITT, Grand High Priest, presiding, the *R. E.* JOSEPH K. WHEELER being Grand Secretary. Thirty-seven—all but one—of the subordinate Chapters were represented. There were also present ten Past Grand High Priests, two Past Grand Scribes, and twenty-four Grand Representatives of sister jurisdictions.

The Grand High Priest, after announcing that their relations with sister Grand Jurisdictions are the most friendly, and that peace and harmony prevail in his own jurisdiction, pays a fraternal tribute to the memory of *M. E.* NATHAN DIKEMAN, Past Grand High Priest, and to *R. E.* JAMES E. COER, Grand Principal Sojourner, and Representative of the Grand Chapter of California near the Grand Chapter of Connecticut. The honored dead of other jurisdictions were also remembered, no less than twelve being specially mentioned. The Committee on Obituary say of Comp. DIKEMAN, "that his zeal and devotion to Capitalar Masonry, and his strict integrity to principle, as exemplified in his life, commanded the respect of the Craft and endostred him to all his companions." And of Comp. COER, that "he was a bright ritualist and one of the most impressive workers that has lived in this jurisdiction." His companions honored him with their confidence "by electing him to positions of trust and responsibility, which he always filled with satisfaction, reflecting honor to the Craft."

Sorrowful greetings are extended to each and all jurisdictions which have been afflicted, several of whose lost ones are referred to as follows :—

"Their names are familiar ones, some, nearly so, as our own loved companions. The names of HIRAM BASSETT, of Kentucky; JOHN S. TYSON, of Maryland; MATTHIAS H. WATT, of Ohio; Rev. JOHN W. DADMON, of Massachusetts; JOHN C. PARISH, of Iowa; ALFRED F. CHAPMAN, Massachusetts, Past Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of the United States; and General ALBERT PIKE, of Washington, D. C., the poet and philosopher; are indelibly sculptured on the annals of Masonry in this country, and will be handed down to future generations as living exemplars of the principles of Masonry of the present day,"

We were honored with a personal acquaintance with each of the companions here named, and loved them; and while we bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well, our sorrowing heart is comforted by the thought so beautifully expressed by the poet :—

"There is no death; the stars go down
To rise upon some fairer shore,
And bright in Heaven's jewelled crown,
They shine for evermore."

The Grand High Priest reported the granting of several dispensations—one for the forming of a new Chapter—and the appointment of Grand Representatives near sister Grand Chapters, our esteemed Comp. CHARLES RAY GRITMAN, who is cordially welcomed, being appointed near the Grand Chapter of California.

An excellent custom prevails in the Grand Jurisdiction of Connecticut; the State is divided into four sections—giving to each as nearly an equal number of the subordinate Chapters as is possible—and a section assigned to each of the first four Grand Officers, whose duty it is to visit the Chapters in his respective section at least once a year, and to report to Grand Chapter. These reports show that the Grand Officers faithfully performed their duties, that the Chapters are prosperous, and the work unexceptionally good. The cause for all this is apparent. The officers and members of the subordinate Chapters, knowing that a Grand

Officer is sure to visit them and inspect their work, are inspired with a zeal for excellence that nothing else can impart, and which is sure to end in triumphant success. Suppose California should try the plan. We are certain greater benefit would result than from the custom of irregular and uncertain visitations now prevailing.

A resolution was adopted requiring all Mark Masters to select and record their marks, before receiving the Royal Arch Degrees. Also, that all members of Chapters, who have not already done so, record their marks within a specified time, and that such as fail to comply with this requirement be reported to Grand Chapter.

The Report on Correspondence is again from the facile pen of Comp. JOHN H. BARLOW—being his fourteenth—in which is reviewed the proceedings of forty Grand Jurisdictions, and the General Grand Chapter of the United States—California for 1890 receiving complimentary notice, with extended extracts from the Address of Grand High Priest VANDERHURST, and from our report of that year. We are glad to note his concurrence in our views on the subjects of mileage and dues; and would gladly dwell longer with our confreres of the quill, did time and space permit. As it is, we must say "*adieu*," with the hope of meeting him in Denver.

There are thirty-eight Chapters in this jurisdiction, having a total membership of 4,739—being an increase of 129 over the previous year.

The M. E. CHARLES H. CHESEBRO was elected Grand High Priest, and R. E. JOSEPH K. WHEELER was re-elected Grand Secretary.

DELAWARE.

The twenty-third Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Wilmington on the twenty-third day of January, 1891,—the M. E. JOHN L. CLARK, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the R. E. JAMES H. PRIOR being Grand Secretary. Three subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest, in his Address, announces that the various subordinates have, during the year, "done good work, and added to their numbers material of excellent character," the number exalted by the three Chapters being thirty.

He recommended that a hearty and fraternal welcome into the sisterhood of Grand Chapters be extended to the Grand Chapters of South Dakota, North Dakota, Indian Territory and Arizona.

He announced that two companions—WILLIAM EMMONS, at the age of 72, and WILLIAM H. EVERETT, at the age of 66, had passed the veils and entered the presence of the Grand Council, and gave a list of the distinguished dead of sister jurisdictions.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows a balance on hand of \$142.77.

The Committee on Correspondence, consisting of companions R. HENRY YOUNG, T. BENTON CRAIG, and THOMAS J. DAY, present an excellent Report, covering thirty-four pages, in which space are reviewed the proceedings of thirty-eight Grand Chapters, California for 1890 being of the number.

Under the head of Iowa, in reply to Comp. ECGANBRACK's comment of the previous year, that—

"We are of opinion that it is a great misfortune to be small, or to dwell in a small State. Great enthusiasm can only be created by great numbers."

The committee say :—

"We are small in numbers, and our State is small, so that we can never hope to increase *greatly*, but we beg our companion in Iowa to remember that 'the most precious things are often contained in *small* packages,' and we hope to prove it some day."

There are many things in this Report worthy of notice, but "time's up," and we must "on to the next."

There are three subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, with a total membership of 386.

The Grand High Priest and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

The twenty-fifth Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Washington on the ninth day of December, 1891,—the *M. E.* ALEXANDER McKENZIE, Grand High Priest, presiding, the *R. E.* LEWIS G. STEPHENS being Grand Secretary. Nine subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest presents a good business document of fourteen pages, proving conclusively that he had been active and energetic in the performance of his duties during his term of office. He congratulates the companions on the success that had attended their efforts, and says "that the work accomplished during the year just closed has been the largest since the organization of the Grand Chapter, and showed a net gain of two hundred and sixty members."

He had granted four dispensations to ballot on applications for the degrees in less time than prescribed in the Constitution, and in every case had required that all resident members be notified that balloting on petitions would be included in the business of the Convocation.

Owing to the high standard of Masonic knowledge possessed by the Companions selected as High Priests of the several constituent Chapters, few questions had been submitted to the Grand High Priest for decision.

The Grand High Priest has taken so warm an interest in the new Masonic Home, now under consideration by the Companions of the District of Columbia, that we quote the following from his Address:—

"MASONIC HOME.

"From my intercourse with the brethren and companions of this jurisdiction I am fully satisfied that the desire to erect and maintain a Masonic Home for the aged widows and orphans of our brethren and companions is received with more favor each year; the sentiment is becoming stronger and the time is not far distant, I hope, when some practical steps will be taken to accomplish this much desired result. I would, therefore, earnestly commend to the favorable consideration of the officers and companions of our constituent Chapters that less money be expended on the occasion of our grand visitations, that the funds of your Chapters be carefully husbanded, and some part be set aside as a nucleus of a fund to which you may from time to time add something from your revenue during these times of great prosperity.

"Companions, there is a well defined law that pervades every feature of nature, so far as man has been capable of an intelligent investigation, which is known as the Law of Compensation. This law is not only well defined in the science of mechanics, &c., but is equally defined in the animal and vegetable kingdoms. The intelligent breeder will inform you that the development of any characteristic in his stock is accomplished only at a sacrifice of some other characteristic. The intelligent florist will also tell you that the development of a flower above its normal condition is at the sacrifice of its prolificacy; its color is often developed at a sacrifice of its perfume or some other of its well known characteristics. This law may be traced through our moral and social conditions also. Companions, it seems to

me that we can well afford to sacrifice some of the characteristics of our periods of enjoyment by making them, not illiberal or ungenerous, but less expensive, in order that we may develop the nobler sentiment among our companions of erecting and maintaining this Masonic Home, where within its portals age and decrepitude, youth and inexperience, may find a sure and safe abiding place from the cares and struggles of the outside world, and the youths therein guided to a noble and self-supporting manhood.

"Companions, in the deepest sorrows that life at times brings to all of us, the thoughtful and philosophical mind looks through the dawn of Hope and sees the shadow's edge brightened with the silvery light of peace beyond; so also the same discerning and discriminating eye sees in our joys and in our periods of prosperity and rejoicing the fleecy clouds on the horizon of the future, which may gather such a number of conditions as to shut out the light of joy and bid Hope despair. These lights and shadows in the affairs of men and in their lives follow one after the other as certain as night follows day. Then, companions, in this the period of our rejoicing and prosperity, let us not forget that the shadow is yet to come. Let us view it with alarm, and in the hour of our prosperity and peace build a monument to our craft that will endure the storm of adversity and appeal to the thoughtful and intelligent men of the world, a monument that holds aloft at its cap-stone a beacon of joy that will shed its benign light and influence over the Masonic craft of this jurisdiction.

"This Masonic Home would be such a monument and would, in my judgment, do more to build up our time-honored craft than any other act we can or may do, by appealing with living facts to the intelligent, humane and noble hearted brethren and companions within our fold, and by enlisting in our great cause the respect and encouragement of all good men without."

The Grand Lodge of California, at its last session, passed resolutions for the establishment of a Widows' and Orphans' Home in this State, and a committee of nine was appointed for that purpose, with power to act, and they have commenced the good work with every prospect of success.

The Grand Treasurer reported the comfortable balance on hand of \$2,380 66, and recommended that it be invested in such securities as might meet the approval of the Grand High Priest.

Comp. JAMES H. TRIMBLE, Grand Visitor and Lecturer, read the following report, which was accepted:—

"I have the honor to report that I have, during the past year, endeavored to perform the duties of my office to the best of my ability. I have visited as many Chapters as I could, and as often as possible, but the principal part of my work has been in instructing the officers in private. This work has been thorough, and the officers selected for the ensuing year will reflect credit upon our jurisdiction."

We note with pleasure that Comp. WILLIAM A. DAVIES has been commissioned as the Representative of the Grand Chapter of the District of Columbia near the Grand Chapter of California.

The Report on Correspondence, by Comp. WILLIAM R. SINGLETON, is fully up to his usual standard of excellence, and deals with the proceedings of thirty-eight Grand Chapters in forty-four pages. California for 1891 is noticed, and brief extracts made.

There are nine subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 1851, and still growing.

The M. E. THOMAS F. GIBBS was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. LEWIS G. STEPHENS was re-elected Grand Secretary.

FLORIDA.

This Grand Chapter held its forty-fifth Annual Convocation in the city of Jacksonville on the twelfth day of May, 1891,—the M. E. JAMES W. BOYD,

Grand High Priest, presiding, and the R. E. DE WITT C. DAWKINS being Grand Secretary.

The Address of the Grand High Priest gives a clear and concise statement of his official acts, and an encouraging account of Capitular Masonry in Florida. In his opening remarks he says:—

"Another year, with its incident changes, is placed upon the record of the past, among which many faithful companions have passed through the vales of time into the presence of the Eternal and Supreme Grand Council, whilst we, through the dispensation of Him who doeth all things well, are permitted to again assemble in this our forty-fifth Grand Convocation, to extend to each other fraternal greetings, to labor in promoting the work and principles of our Holy Order, and upon bended knees offer to the Great I Am the adoration of grateful hearts for the manifold blessings vouchsafed to us, individually and collectively.

"During the year just passed it is especially gratifying that throughout our fair State peace, good-will and prosperity have reigned supreme; that no adversity nor pestilence has visited within our borders, save in a milder degree than in some of our sister jurisdictions the plague la grippe, for a season, but whose fetters have long since been loosed, and now good health prevails."

He had granted seven dispensations, all local in character.

He reported but one decision, as follows:—

"The Council of Florida Royal Arch Chapter, No. 1, having refused to open in the subordinate degrees to the Chapter and confer the degrees pertaining thereto, I am asked, 'Can't we open in the preparatory degrees and confer said degrees without opening in the Royal Arch?'"

"I answered: After a Chapter has been closed no Lodge subordinate thereto can be opened with less than nine Royal Arch Masons, but a Chapter being regularly opened may, when necessary, call off to a designated period not beyond its next regular Convocation, when such subordinate Lodges may be opened and degrees conferred, there being present in each degree the requisite number for that purpose who are also Royal Arch Masons."

We do not concur in this decision. The true rule is to open in the degree in which work is to be done, and to close in that degree when the business is completed. Calling off is fraught with danger; and should never be practiced in any degree, or branch of Masonry.

He says, in concluding his Address: "It will be observed from what has been reported that your presiding officer has been called upon to perform but few official acts, which should not be taken as a lack of zeal in our institution, but rather in the light that harmony prevails throughout the jurisdiction; and see to it, companions, that no disturbing material be brought within our portals to disturb that harmony."

The Grand Secretary, Comp. DE WITT C. DAWKINS, presented a full account of the transactions of his office for the year.

The Grand Treasurer reported a balance in the treasury of \$650 98.

The Committee on Correspondence make a report of two pages, and account for its brevity on the ground that the fraternity of that State are engaged in an effort to erect a Masonic Temple, and deem it indiscreet to produce a general review of the proceedings of sister Grand Chapters, thereby saving the expense of the printing in aid of the purpose mentioned. The committee say:—

"We are vain enough, if vanity it is, to entertain the impression that others would like to know, in all the Grand Jurisdictions, what we had to say about them. And the Royal Craft in Florida are the greatest losers in failing to obtain the good news and glad tidings that await the gatherings from the published annals of the Grand Chapters throughout the great Royal Arch heritage, but we must humbly, if not cheerfully, submit to these disadvantages, 'working and eating our own bread,' so to speak, until the stumbling blocks shall have been re-

moved, the rough and rugged places shall have been safely passed, and until the brighter day of prosperity shall have dawned upon us, and 'the glory of the Lord shall have filled the Lord's House.'

"Your committee has at least partially examined the published proceedings of the various Grand Chapters as they were severally received, with unusual pleasure and profit, and only regret that we cannot here divide the rich legacies with you, and must be content to present such matters to your consideration as require your action. Your attention, therefore, will be directed to the new links which have been inserted, thus enlarging the Royal Chain of fraternal union and affection."

The Most Excellent Grand Chapters of Indian Territory, South Dakota, North Dakota and Arizona were recognized as regular, sovereign and independent Grand Chapters, and an exchange of Representatives solicited.

There are twelve chartered Chapters in the jurisdiction, having a membership of 418.

The M. E. THOMAS S. WILMARTH was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. DE WITT C. DAWKINS was re-elected Grand Secretary.

GEORGIA.

The sixty-ninth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Georgia was held in the City of Atlanta on the twenty-ninth day of April, 1891,—the M. E. JAMES W. TAYLOR, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the R. E. ANDREW M. WOLHIN being Grand Secretary. Fifty-three Chapters were represented.

The Address of the Grand High Priest is an able resume of his official acts, and gives a short history of the subordinate Chapters during his administration in that jurisdiction. Of the condition of the Craft he says:

"Amidst the gloom of trials and the various disappointments in life's checkered scenes, there is a star that glimmers in the far distance, inspiring energy and perseverance in our every laudable undertaking, and to Masons this star is very precious—the star of hope."

"When, sixty-nine years ago, delegates from five subordinate Chapters convened in Louisville and organized the Grand Chapter of Georgia, their action was founded on a hope that the future would develop an interest in the enterprise commensurate with the great designs of Capitular Masonry, and that in the course of time the Grand Chapter of Georgia would become one of the leading factors in promoting the great principles of science, morality and civilization. For ten years these faithful companions continued to meet regularly; when political persecution became so great their meetings were discontinued and the Grand Chapter of Georgia suspended—nor then did this star of hope desert them, but united with faith, upheld the trembling souls of these faithful companions—faith in the immutable decree that the right would prevail and hope that the horizon so clouded would soon clear and the ultimate object of the organization be attained."

"Their expectations were realized and after ten years' suspension Capitular Masonry blazed forth in Georgia with renewed vigor, and until the present time with varied fortune has moved along, and to-day is more firmly fixed in our jurisdiction than ever before during the history of the Order."

"And now, companions, to this our sixty-ninth Annual Convocation, we greet you with heart and hand, and bid you welcome. Many of your faces have been familiar objects at our Annual meetings for a number of years; it is very pleasant to again meet you; others are here for the first time. It shall be our aim to make this your first meeting with us pleasant and profitable."

He feelingly alludes to the death of Past Grand High Priest SAMUEL LAWRENCE:

"Who is it, among us, would check or restrain the falling tear when contemplating our sad bereavement in the loss of that grand old captain who in the past has led the Grand Chapter of Georgia through many hard fought battles against the common enemies of Masonry—ignorance, superstition and crime."

We tender our sincere sympathies to our companions of Georgia in the great loss they have sustained.

The Grand High Priest made no decisions that he thought worthy of reporting.

He had granted dispensations to six Chapters to entertain and ballot on applications at one and the same Convocation. He adds: "Notwithstanding my opposition to railroading candidates through the several Chapter degrees with lightning speed, and having refused to grant such dispensations in many cases, I considered the above applications meritorious and actual cases of emergency, and feeling satisfied that the Craft would not suffer by such action, I granted the several requests." He had granted seven dispensations for the formation of new Chapters. This, together with the five dormant Chapters that have been brought to life, makes a very good showing for Georgia.

The report of the Finance Committee shows a balance in the hands of the Grand Treasurer of \$910 60.

The Report on Correspondence was presented by Comp. WILLIAM ABRAM LOVE. It is a courteous review, full of vigor and zeal, occupying seventy-nine pages of the appendix. He concludes as follows:—

"In winding up this report, we feel that it is due to ourself to say, that while the research essential to its preparation has been a labor of pleasure and profit, yet the writing has been done in the midst of the thousands of interruptions and anxieties incident to the life of a busy, professional worker.

"For the sins of omission and the sins of commission interwoven within it, we have done much penance while doing the penning; still, for such errors as may by chance yet remain, we crave the coupling of fraternal charity with the judicial criticisms of the critics—but 'What is writ, is writ.'"

We congratulate the companions of Georgia on the healthy and prosperous condition of their finances, and the numerical growth of the Order for the past year, and cherish the hope that both may continue to increase in the years to come.

There are fifty-seven Chapters on the roll in this jurisdiction, with a total membership of 2,045.

The *M. E.* JAMES W. TAYLOR was re-elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* ANDREW M. WOLHIN was re-elected Grand Secretary.

ILLINOIS.

The forty-second Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Illinois was held in the City of Chicago on the twenty-ninth day of October, 1891,—the *M. E.* EDWARD C. PACK, Grand High Priest, presiding, the *R. E.* GIL W. BARNARD being Grand Secretary. The constitutional number of subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Address of the Grand High Priest is a well prepared paper, giving a clear account of all his official acts and making many excellent recommendations for the benefit of the Craft. Of the prosperity of the Craft in Illinois for the past year he says:—

"The year which has just closed has been one of unusual prosperity. The garners are filled with golden grain, the cattle upon the hills roll in fatness, and peace and plenty prevail throughout the land. Prosperity has not only visited us with abundant harvests, but our order has flourished and grown strong, and the records of the Grand Secretary will probably show it to have been one of the most prosperous years in its history. Let us devoutly thank the Great Being from whom comes every good and perfect gift, for His goodness and mercy. Let us reverence His teachings and obey His law.

"We are again assembled in Annual Convocation. Standing, as we do to-day, in the shadow of the closing year, let us for a moment look over the past, let us in the light of the present, compare our actions with our resolutions of one year ago, and see if our work has been such as to recommend us to the favorable consideration of the Grand Overseer, who requires of us true work, square work, and perfect work.

" 'Peace reigns in Israel.' Harmony and prosperity go hand in hand and prevail throughout the Grand Jurisdiction. Our relations with other Grand Jurisdictions, so far as I am informed, are of the most amicable character."

He announced the death of Past Grand High Priest JOHN DALLS HAMILTON, and pays a fraternal tribute to his memory. The deaths of companions JACOB WALKER, CHRISTOPHER GOODBRAKE and NORMAN T. GASETTE, all earnest workers in the Masonic vineyard, are also announced.

One dispensation was granted for the formation of a new Chapter, and a number of special dispensations were granted for various purposes.

One Chapter had surrendered its charter and turned its effects over to the Grand Secretary.

The Grand High Priest received a communication from a Chapter requesting a dispensation to enable it to grant a dimit to a member on the same evening it was asked. It appeared from the letter accompanying the request that the companion was at the time under suspension in his Lodge, and this request was in anticipation of a favorable action by his Lodge at the time stated, and thus enable his Chapter to dimit him. In view of the fact that he had no right in his present condition, he declined to issue the dispensation.

We note the following under the head of "Decisions":—

"1. That it is the duty of the ex-Scribe to prefer charges and prosecute offenders, but they may be preferred by any member of the Chapter.

"2. That in the case of defunct Chapters, the Chapter acquiring territorial jurisdiction also acquires personal jurisdiction, and unfinished material must petition the Chapter for the remaining degrees, subject to the same rules as govern other petitions for degrees or membership.

"3. That the Grand High Priest cannot suspend a law of the Grand Chapter, except as specified or implied.

"4. That the Mark Master degree, i. e., the first and second sections, can only be conferred on one candidate at a time. The Most Excellent can be conferred on as many as can be handled conveniently.

"5. That the loss of a limb does not disqualify a brother from receiving the Chapter degrees."

He recommends the cordial support of the fraternity throughout the State to the Masonic Orphans' Home, which was founded a few years ago in Chicago, and is dependent upon the Craft in that jurisdiction for its maintenance. This is a noble and worthy charity, and no enterprise can be more deserving of support than the Orphans' Home.

The reports of the district officers occupy eight pages of the proceedings and show that subordinate Chapters are prosperous and zealous in the good work, that harmony prevails, and that benefits resulting from the visits of the officers are immediate and lasting.

The Grand Treasurer reports on hand the comfortable cash balance of \$12,186 81. The Grand Secretary's report, as usual, is full and business-like, and shows a large increase in membership and general prosperity among the Chapters.

The Grand Chapters of Arizona and Montana were formally recognized.

The Report on Correspondence, by Comp. PEARSON, is an able review of the proceedings of the several Grand Chapters in correspondence with the Grand Chapter of Illinois, including California for 1891. Comp. PEARSON has established a reputation as a Masonic writer of which he may well feel proud. His report covers 107 pages and is full of interest. California is fraternally and pleasantly noticed, and we sincerely regret that we have not the time at our disposal to do justice to this report, and will merely quote the conclusion:—

"The writer feels a little like indulging in a few words of sorrow. The long list of prominent companions, who have departed from 'the land of the dying,' and entered 'the land of the living,' makes one mourn as he realizes that they will not be met here again. The wish and hope to meet here some of them of whom we have learned in this work of correspondence, has grown very strong during the seven years we have been thus engaged, and yet every year the list shortens. But thank God, the work goes on, and some day another will fill our place, and we hope, better and better than ever. In the mean time, while we wear the clothing and use the implements of our Craft, let us do our best and thus be ready to join those loved ones, 'not lost, but gone before.'"

There are 176 active Chapters in this jurisdiction, having an aggregate membership of 14,066, being an increase of 361.

The M. E. JACOB KROHN was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. GIL BARNARD was re-elected Grand Secretary.

INDIANA.

The forty-sixth Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Indianapolis, commencing on the twenty-first day of October, 1891,—the M. E. JACOB W. SMITH, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. WILLIAM H. SMYTHE being Grand Secretary. Eighty-four of the eighty-five subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Address of the Grand High Priest is brief, but well prepared, and concisely details his official acts during the year. In his opening he says:

"This is the forty-sixth Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter, and I trust that our deliberations at this time may be characterized with that spirit of harmony which has manifested itself throughout the many years that have passed. Since the last Convocation our land has been blessed with abundant crops and the country is enjoying a state of prosperity such as has not been experienced in recent years. Truly we should be ungrateful did we not lift up our voices in praise to the All-wise Ruler of the Universe for these manifestations of His goodness and mercy.

"In presenting this report I regret that the same privilege is not accorded me that was to my illustrious predecessor in his report, viz, that of reporting 'our circle unbroken.' Since our last Convocation a 'blazing star has disappeared,' and Capital Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction has suffered an irreparable loss. Past Grand High Priest WILLIAM HAEGER died at Shelbyville, Ind., on the 29th day of July, 1891, aged eighty-one years."

A feeling and fraternal tribute is paid to his memory.

Under the head of "Condition of the Craft," he says:—

"The last Grand Chapter report shows a total of 5,443 Royal Arch Masons in this jurisdiction. The number of deaths during the past year has not been so great as in the year previous, fewer dimitts have been granted, but the number of suspensions and expulsions has been considerably more than the average. In accessions to our ranks, affiliations and reinstatements have been less, while quite an increase is noticeable in the number of Royal Arch Masons made during the year. However, there is a net increase of 164 to our membership for the year just ended, making the total number now in the jurisdiction 5,607. This may not be an extraordinary showing, but it is very gratifying to know that more than the average amount of work has been done in the way of exaltation."

He announces the issuing of dispensations to form two new Chapters, and two others to elect officers, each Chapter having failed to elect at the proper time.

He recommended that fraternal recognition be accorded the Grand Chapters of Arizona and Montana, and that representatives be exchanged.

He made the following decisions, all of which were approved by the Grand Chapter:—

"1st. A Royal Arch Mason may wear his apron as such, regardless of the degree upon which the Chapter may be at labor.

"2d. A High Priest can not declare an office vacant, for the reason that the holder thereof may be a dimitted Master Mason.

"3d. A Chapter should not receive an application for the degrees when the applicant is physically unable to comply literally with all the requirements of the degrees.

"4th. One ballot elects for all the degrees and must take place at the stated meeting when report is made on the application. No ballot should be taken at called meetings.

"5th. No part of the fee can be rebated to one who has received the degrees, even though he be a minister of the gospel.

"6th. A Chapter can not accept the petition of a brother who has received part of the degrees in another Chapter, without first obtaining a waiver of jurisdiction, even though the applicant may have changed his residence.

"7th. I declined to issue a dispensation to elect a High Priest, that being the only office becoming vacant in the Chapter."

On the proposed appointment of Inspectors and yearly inspection of subordinate Chapters, he thinks that while all Chapters do not need annual inspection, that Inspectors should be appointed and Chapters visited at least once in three years.

The Grand Treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$5,099 08.

The Grand Secretary, in his report, presents an itemized statement of receipts, and says that notwithstanding the fact that it requires more labor and costs more money to print such statement, it has its advantages and reveals to the Grand Chapter and advertises the names of all Chapters that pay their dues on or before the first day of October, as well as those that fail. "To-day every Chapter in the State is entitled to representation on this floor." He recommended that the annual dues to the Grand Chapter be reduced from forty cents to thirty cents per capita, which recommendation was adopted.

The Report on Correspondence covers one hundred and twenty-eight pages, and embraces all the Grand Capitular jurisdictions, with the single exception of New Brunswick. It is from the pen of Comp. THOMAS B. LONG. It is his ninth report and fully up to the high standard of his former reports. California for 1891 is fraternally noticed, and the Address of Grand High Priest DAY receives complimentary reference. We extract a portion of his conclusion:—

"With the exception of the church, there is probably no institution on earth that so surely and constantly accompanies the progress of industry and civilization as that of Masonry. Wherever its seats are established there is the greater assurance of just and equitable government, of business honor and personal integrity, and of domestic virtue and general happiness. With what honest pride and sincere satisfaction must these observations fill the breasts of all true and zealous Craftsmen! With the benign influences thus established in every portion of our broad domain, its many sections and innumerable localities furnish distinct advantages, but equal inducements, for the exercise of every enterprise the citizen may see fit to engage in—for wherever Freemasonry is duly established social enjoyment and commercial safety can be regarded as secure in the largest sense that is possible to human nature. Let us always, therefore, by moral deportment, manly dignity, business integrity, and prudent zeal, earnestly devote our best energies to its maintenance and advancement."

There is much in this admirable report we would like to extract and comment upon, but want of time precludes our doing so.

The number of affiliated Royal Arch Masons in this Grand Jurisdiction is 5,607, being a gain over the preceding year of 164.

The M. E. EDWARD J. CHURCH was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. WILLIAM H. SMYTHE was re-elected Grand Secretary.

INDIAN TERRITORY.

The second Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Indian Territory was held in Oklahoma City on the twentieth day of August, 1891,—the *M. E.* EDMOND HENRY DOYLE, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the *R. E.* JOSEPH SAMUEL MURROW being Grand Secretary.

The Grand High Priest delivered a well prepared Address. In it he says:—

Our little Grand Chapter is yet in its infancy, struggling onward and upward, but heroically determined to overcome all obstacles which may present themselves in our path of sure progress.

Then why should not success attend us? The lamp of experience lights us, the wine of love strengthens us, and the word of duty, like the far off echo of a choral anthem, makes our labors holy and sweet.

Then let us gird our armor and seize our shield, blazoned with the star of pure human love, and with the sword of unselfish loyalty in hand, fight for those unsullied principles which have ever actuated the grand old Royal Craft in days of yore. Let our deliberations, our decisions, be made in the full sight of the scale of Justice, aye, ever with the sword of Justice turned edgeward.

It is with pleasure that we welcome here so many well-known faces together with others less familiar, but which will not long be strangers where all are interested in one common object—the preservation and prosperity of our time-honored Fraternity.

To that end let us review the past year, learning lessons of wisdom from our failures, if any such there have been, and taking courage from our success, to go on with renewed vigor and interest in the year which is to come. It is pleasant to meet thus and strengthen the bonds of friendship and fraternal union so happily begun when we were initiated into this grand old Fraternity, to these many years gone by.

He announced that he had granted special dispensations to two Chapters to elect and install officers, they having failed to do so at the time prescribed in their By-Laws; and to another to hold a special Convocation to consider business of importance. He had granted one dispensation for the formation of a new Chapter.

The Grand Treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$295.

There is no Report on Correspondence, and the committee appointed for that purpose at the last Convocation account for its non-production as follows:—

Your Committee on Fraternal Correspondence has not deemed it wise to use the limited funds of the Grand Chapter in printing a review of the proceedings of the several Grand Chapters which have so cordially and fraternally extended recognition and greeting to the Grand Chapter of Indian Territory. Pleasant as it would be to spread before this Grand Chapter all the friendly words spoken by our companions of other jurisdictions, we must bear in mind the fact that our revenues are not sufficient for more than necessary expenses. The time is near at hand when we may make such a report on correspondence as we would like to do, but now we can only say to the General Grand Chapter and such other Grand Chapters as have sent us their proceedings, that we treasure their kind wishes for our prosperity and will do our best to deserve them. Especially, however, do we desire to thank the Grand Chapter of New York, which was the first to send greeting. It was the happy fortune of your committee to be the guest of that Grand Chapter at the laying of the corner-stone of the Masonic Home at Utica last May, and as the representative of this Grand Chapter, to receive welcome and fraternal courtesy. To the Grand High Priest, WM. J. McDONALD, and the other officers and companions we return thanks. So, too, at the General Grand Chapter in Minneapolis the General Grand High Priest, DAVID F. DAY, was most considerate and made special mention of this Grand Chapter in his admirable Address, quoting extensively from the Address of Past Grand High Priest MURROW in most pleasant terms. From Maine to California, which of course includes all, our Grand Chapters have given us recognition, for which we tender thanks and our fraternal wishes for the success of the Royal Craft in all sister jurisdictions. Peace seems to be in all the Grand Chapters, and prosperity is marked. May both long continue.

A memorial page was ordered set apart to the memory of ALBERT PIKE, Past Grand High Priest of Arkansas.

The Ritual and Work of the General Grand Chapter was adopted, and all Chapters instructed to procure said work as soon as possible.

Tablequah, in the Cherokee Nation, was selected as the place for the next Annual Convocation, and the third Thursday in August as the time for holding the same.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances reported that peace and harmony prevailed throughout the jurisdiction, and that, consequently, they had nothing to do, and sincerely hoped it would be "ever thus."

There are seven subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, with a total membership of 199.

Our old-time friend, the M. E. ROBERT WILLIAM HILL, was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. JOSEPH SAMUEL MURROW was re-elected Grand Secretary.

IOWA.

The Grand Chapter of Iowa held its thirty-eighth Annual Convocation in the city of Boone on the twenty-second day of October, 1891,—the M. E. GEORGE A. QUIMBY, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the R. E. ALF. WINGATE being Grand Secretary. Eighty-eight subordinate Chapters were represented.

Comp. D. R. HINDMAN, of *Tuscan* Chapter, in whose hall the Grand Chapter assembled, delivered an address of Welcome, which, after a song by a select quartette, was responded to in a fitting manner by Grand High Priest QUIMBY.

In commencing his Address, the Grand High Priest expresses gratitude to the Giver of All Good Things for the general prosperity prevailing, and gives gratifying information of the condition of the Rite in his jurisdiction, as follows:—

"We have been abundantly prospered during the past year in all things. Recognizing 'whose we are and whom we serve,' our first impulse should be that of gratitude to Him for the many blessings bestowed upon us, and that so many of us have been permitted to come together once more. We meet again with almost unbroken ranks. As far as I am informed, none of the present or past Grand Officers of this jurisdiction have been called home during the past year by the Grand High Priest of the Universe. Is it not, then, eminently fitting that we should give expressions of gratitude and appreciation to the Giver of all Good Things for preserving our lives thus far, and crowning us with blessings so rich and abundant?

"Capitular Masonry has prospered throughout the entire length and breadth of this grand State during the past year, and in some portions of it as it never has before. For the first time in several years, all the Chapters have paid up back dues and have been square on the books of this body, which speaks well for our Grand Secretary. The financial condition of this Grand Chapter is excellent.

"The fraternity has everywhere performed its mission of brotherly love, kindness, and good-will toward one another. Peace and harmony prevail among the Royal Craft; there is but one grievance in my hands to be submitted for redress, and very few matters of controversy have been submitted for official advice or direction."

A dispensation had been issued for the formation of a new Chapter, to which a charter was granted.

The Grand High Priest had granted a number of dispensations that had been asked for the purpose of electing and installing officers where the same had not been done within the prescribed time. He said "several requests for dispensations to ballot out of time had been asked for, but knowing the evil results which so often come from such ballots, all, with one or two exceptions, have been refused."

Official fellowship and fraternal recognition were extended to Grand the Chapters of Arizona and Montana.

The report of Comp. ALF. WINGATE, Grand Secretary, shows that he is fully competent to fill the position he occupies. He gives a clear account of his official duties. He says:—"Up to the date of going to press with our report, about one hundred of the Chapters have made their annual returns to this office, leaving twelve to hear from. We hope to have the report from every Chapter in the jurisdiction before the date of this Annual Convocation."

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows the total assets to be \$5,905.45.

The amended Constitution, as concurred in at the last session, and also a Code of Laws were unanimously adopted, the latter being printed in full in the "Transactions."

The Committee on Masonic Home presented a lengthy report, and concluded by recommending that the project of building the same be postponed until there is a greater need of one in Iowa than there seems to be at present.

Suitable mourning pages are set apart to the memory of the distinguished dead of other jurisdictions.

A brief sketch of the lives of GEORGE A. QUIMBY, Grand High Priest, and WILLIAM HACKER is given.

The Grand Chapter of Iowa was in session two days, and disposed of a large amount of business in that time. At the close of the second day we find the following fraternal greetings:—

"Past Grand High Priest T. S. PARVIN, Grand Representative of the jurisdiction of Nova Scotia, suggested that inasmuch as the labors of the Grand Chapter were nearly at an end, that the Grand Representatives of the various Grand Jurisdictions present hold a sort of a love-feast. The suggestion seemed to meet with the hearty approval of all present. Comp. T. S. PARVIN led off in a very happy manner, and spoke of the harmony and good feeling so apparent in this Grand Body, and as existing between this Grand Chapter and all other Grand Chapters throughout the known world. He was followed by Past Grand High Priest C. H. COGGSWELL, representative from Kansas; Past Grand High Priest F. H. LORING, representative from Nebraska; Past Grand High Priest GEORGE A. QUIMBY, representative from Delaware; Past Grand High Priest T. R. ERCANBRACK, representative from Maine, and Comp. J. R. JONES, representative from Tennessee. Companions A. L. SARCHET, BAKER, J. K. MASON, W. W. DENNIS, A. N. ALBERSON, CHARLES H. WILDER, and other companions, had something to say, showing that the utmost peace, harmony, and good-will prevailed among Royal Arch Masons throughout the entire world."

Comp. T. R. ERCANBRACK again presents one of his good old-fashioned reports, which is really refreshing to dwell upon. He opens with the following gratifying intelligence:—

"There is no 'burning question' before the Capitular world. The breasts of Royal Arch Masons are not moved by any swelling tide of emotion. To all intents and purposes they are lying down in green pastures by the side of still waters. Their souls are fully restored. Their confidence in the staff on which they have so long leaned is perfect. And your committee has not been called upon to state anything in this report except the unruffled manner in which the current business in the various jurisdictions is being done, and the exceedingly healthy condition of Capitular affairs throughout the American continent."

He reviews forty-four Grand Chapters, California for 1891 receiving honorable mention. He says:—

"We stop the press to say that the proceedings of California have arrived at the last moment. We know that Comp. THOMAS would feel chagrined to find that his beloved jurisdiction received no mention in this report."

You are correct, Comp. EROANBRACK, in your estimate of our desire for being represented in Iowa's Report on Correspondence, for we would rather have a dozen "peaky carbuncles" than forego the pleasure of being reviewed and commented upon in the Transactions of Iowa. He quotes approvingly from Grand High Priest DAY's Address and has a kind word for the writer. We quote his conclusion:—

"Throughout the whole number of volumes reviewed in this report the spirit of amity and concord prevails. If we had read nothing else during the past year except the proceedings of Capitular Grand Bodies, we should firmly believe that we are living in the midst of the prophetic era. 'Peace on earth and good will to men.' Evidences of fraternal zeal, tempered with conservative wisdom, appear in all portions of the Royal Arch domain. The number of the temple builders is increasing fully as fast as consistent with safety and permanence. As nothing is strong that can be endangered by the weak, and as the majority of men are weak, so the highest degree of care should be exercised that none but strong men enter our sacred courts. We are of the opinion that proper prudence is becoming the rule."

Had we the time at our command we would like to make numerous extracts from this excellent report, but here we are compelled to stop.

One hundred and nine Chapters; 6,482 members.

The *M. E.* WILLIAM WILBRAHAM was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* ALF. WINGATE was re-elected Grand Secretary.

KANSAS.

The twenty-sixth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Kansas was held at Fort Scott on the sixteenth day of February, 1891,—the *M. E.* HENRY C. COOK, Grand High Priest, presiding, the *R. E.* JOHN H. BROWN being Grand Secretary. Fifty-seven Chapters were represented. After the opening prayer by the Grand Chaplain, the visiting companions were welcomed and the usual courtesies extended.

The Grand High Priest's address is replete with lofty moral sentiment, judicious admonition and sound advice. He says "that during the quarter of a century that has elapsed since the organization of the Grand Chapter its prospects have never been brighter or more promising, and hopes that they may not only continue, but be greatly advanced."

He mentions the names of a number of honored companions who were devotedly attached to our institution who have rested from their labors, and pays a fraternal tribute to their memory.

He had granted two dispensations for the formation of new Chapters, and three dispensations to ballot for candidates, waiving the usual time. There appears to have been a large number of applications for dispensations of this kind, but the three above referred to were all he granted, having good reason to believe that the interests of the Royal Craft would not be promoted thereby.

He had issued commissions to five Representatives, and said that it afforded him pleasure to announce that "our relations with other Grand Jurisdictions are of the most pleasant and satisfactory nature."

The Grand Lecturer has been doing good work by infusing new life into some of the weak Chapters, and a few that have been almost dormant for years are now among the most active in the State. After giving a clear account of his work he adds this

"Summary :—I have endeavored to confine my visits to the weaker Chapters, only visiting the stronger ones when they lay in my direct course. There are several others I would have liked to have visited had time permitted; but, the summer months were not available for meetings of any kind, owing to the extreme heat, and the political pot was boiling too hotly in the early autumn to secure satisfactory results in Masonic visitations."

The Grand Treasurer, in his Annual Report, makes a very handsome showing—a balance of \$6,388.74 in the Grand Treasury. What to do with the surplus is now an important question with our Kansas companions, and it will require the action of their Finance Committee to solve it.

Comp. JOHN H. BROWN again submits the Report on Correspondence, comprising ninety pages, and it is both instructive and interesting. The preface to his report opens thus:—

"In preparing this report, we have been solicitous to present to our companions fair pictures of the condition and prospects of the Order in the various jurisdictions. The fact will be apparent to the reader, that, considered as a whole, the Order has kept its usual pace with other branches of Masonry; that in several jurisdictions, where for a few years past the outlook was gloomy, there has been a revival of interest and renewal of work, with the promise of greater advances in future."

He reviews California for 1890, but the proceedings of 1891, for some unexplained reason, did not receive his attention, notwithstanding the fact that the usual number of copies were mailed to his address as soon as received from the printer. Of our report Comp. BROWN is pleased to say :—

"Comp. THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL presented as usual a very complete Report on Correspondence. As fresh, keen and manly as in the beginning, he prepared and spread before the fraternity a treat which, if they do not read and 'inwardly digest,' will be *prima facie* evidence that they are grossly indifferent to accurate knowledge and Masonic history."

We are glad that any words of ours should have had so happy an effect, and in return make our best bow to Comp. BROWN.

There are seventy-four Chapters in this jurisdiction, with a membership of—well, several if not more.

The M. E. MATTHEW M. MILLER was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. JOHN H. BROWN was re-elected Grand Secretary.

KENTUCKY.

An Emergent Convocation was held in Millersburg, Kentucky, on November eleventh, 1890, for the purpose of paying the last tribute of respect to Past Grand High Priest HIRAM BASSETT, who died after a brief illness at his home in Millersburg, Bourbon County, on the sixth of November, 1890, having nearly completed the allotted three score years and ten.

Comp. BASSETT "was a gentleman of the old school, genial and kind, distinguished for courtesy and gallantry, as well as for modesty and real worth."

Grand High Priest POWERS, in his address, thus feelingly alludes to his death :—

"No Mason in Kentucky was better or more favorably known to the Royal craft than he. Whether as Grand Master, Grand High Priest, Grand Commander, Grand Secretary, or Chairman of Foreign Correspondence he was always the same delightful Companion, Brother and Sir Knight. Amiable and sweet tempered as a maiden, he was firm and fearless as a General; wise in Masonic lore; he was always deferential, kind and courteous, having great respect for the opinion of others; he was firm in his own convictions. His afflictions were of long duration, but always borne with meekness and fortitude."

We feel inexpressively sad to notice the demise of our worthy companion. For six years he wrote the Reports on Correspondence for Kentucky, and always in a spirit of fairness, impartiality and courtesy deserving of all praise.

The seventy-sixth Annual Convocation was held on the seventh of October, 1891,—the *R. E.*: CHARLES H. FISK, Deputy Grand High Priest, presiding, the *R. E.*: HENRY B. GRANT acting as Grand Secretary. After the evening session of October seventh—owing to a difference of opinion as to the proper time of meeting of the Grand Chapter of Kentucky—there was a call from labor to refreshment, to meet again on the twentieth of October, when the *M. E.*: JOSHUA D. POWERS, Grand High Priest, presided.

All was not harmonious with the Grand Chapter of Kentucky, many difficult questions arising which were not settled at the close of the session, and which want of time prevents us from commenting on.

The Report on Correspondence was presented by Comp. JAMES W. STATON, who reviews forty-four Grand Chapters in a fraternal and kindly manner. California for 1891 is among the number. He makes liberal extracts from the address of Grand High Priest DAY, and speaks a good word for the Grand Secretary and Chairman on Correspondence, which our modesty forbids us to quote. There are many excellent things in this interesting report that we had marked for comment, while reading, but it is not possible for us to do justice to it in the short time at our command, so we reluctantly bid Comp. STATON a hasty farewell.

The *M. E.*: CHARLES H. FISK was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.*: HENRY B. GRANT was elected Grand Secretary.

LOUISIANA.

The forty-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Louisiana was held in the city of New Orleans on the tenth day of February, 1891,—the *M. E.*: HERMAN COPE DUNCAN, Grand High Priest, presiding, the *R. E.*: J. C. BACH-ELOR, M. D., being Grand Secretary.

The Grand High Priest, in his Address, says: "No death has, during the year, broken the number of our present or past Grand Officers." He then pays feeling tribute to the memory of the distinguished dead of other Grand jurisdictions, appropriate mention of whom has been made elsewhere in this report. He concludes his reference to the deceased companions as follows:—

"Thus have passed from our mortal sight many who have well and truly illustrated for us that purity of heart and rectitude of conduct so essentially necessary to gain admission into God's eternal sanctuary. May we who linger here a little longer appreciate the increased responsibility that is ours, and be all the more assiduous in perfecting our illustration of those principles."

He recommended the recognition of the new Grand Chapter of Indian Territory and an exchange of representatives therewith. Also, that the charters of two subordinate Chapters be arrested.

The Louisiana law entitles a companion to life-membership after ten years' service. An amendment was introduced at the last Annual Convocation increasing the time to fifteen years. Another proposition was to repeal the provision and substitute a prohibition against the creation of life members. On this subject the Grand High Priest says:—

"I would not again argue this question, but I deem it my duty to report to you certain facts bearing on this issue that have come to my knowledge and that I

think should be known and considered. I found a Chapter within the year where every member but one had been affiliated over ten years, and were consequently entitled on the law to exemption from dues. Had it been enforced, had a demand been made for its enforcement, that one member would scarcely have consented to pay rent, salaries, etc., all by his own lone self. A provision that acts in this way ought to be repealed, for it is an invitation to suicide.

"Now what is found true of that Chapter might readily become true of a majority of the Chapters. Indeed, two-thirds of our membership are now exempt from the payment of dues. It is within the bounds of reason to imagine nearly every Chapter emasculated like the one cited. Surely we cannot be too urgent to remove this rock that threatens wreck and ruin to all of us. The proposal to increase the term from ten to fifteen years may be a move in the right direction, but it does not go far enough to be effective. In my opinion, carefully formed, it will not be safe, equitable or just to make the term less than twenty-five years. Yet I think life membership an important provision, as a kindly reward to the veteran and as a beacon to encourage continued affiliation.

"I believe the true solution of the problem is this: the question is one for Chapter determination, not for Grand Chapter legislation. The lines now followed in Craft Masonry in this jurisdiction are the true ones, life-membership left entirely in the discretion of the Lodges. So let it be in Capital Masonry. I therefore think the wisest course would be to adopt the first clause of Comp. PACKWOOD's proposal and to stop there—the repeal pure, simple, and without substitution, of the provision relative to life-membership."

He stated that from all over the jurisdiction reports of a most encouraging character had come in, and concludes by saying: "The Royal Craft of Louisiana is again winning success, and needs but wise government to enter ere long into unexampled prosperity."

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows the balance in the exchequer to be \$1,668 26.

The Grand Secretary submitted a carefully prepared report, showing the official transactions of his office for the year.

The office of Grand Lecturer was created, and the sum of two hundred dollars was appropriated towards paying the expenses of that officer.

No Report on Correspondence.

There are fifteen subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, with a total membership of 625.

The M. E. WILLIAM J. BENEDICT was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. JAMES C. BACHELOR, M. D., was re-elected Grand Secretary.

MAINE.

The sixty-sixth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Maine was held in the city of Portland on the fifth day of May, 1891,—the M. E. CHARLES I. COLLAMORE, Grand High Priest, presiding, the venerable and R. E. IRA BERRY being Grand Secretary. Forty-four of the forty-nine chartered Chapters were represented, and twelve Past Grand High Priests answered to the roll call.

The address of the Grand High Priest is replete with those exalted sentiments which characterize the true and loyal Mason, and is far above the general average of papers of similar character. In opening he says:—

"The ever onward, resistless flight of time has brought us, almost too quickly for us to realize it, to the end of another year.

"With hearts filled, I trust, with gratitude to Him who doeth all things well, we have knelt at our common altar and returned thanks for the many blessings vouchsafed to us as an organization and as a people.

"The three great blessings of health, peace and prosperity have been ours."

He stated that on February seventh, 1821, the Grand Chapter of Maine was organized with four Chapters, and to-day it numbers forty-nine Chapters with a membership of 4,969. A healthy and encouraging growth.

He had granted dispensations in a number of cases, enabling Chapters to elect officers, in whole or in part, when for various good reasons they failed to perform that duty at the proper time. Officially visited three of the subordinate Chapters, and seems well pleased with the result of his investigations.

To a question whether a Chapter can either directly or indirectly have anything to do with life insurance with an individual member, he replies as follows:—

"I think such an arrangement might lead to complications which the Chapter would do well to avoid. I decide that it is not competent for a Chapter to take the assignment of a life insurance policy of a companion, agree to pay the premiums as they come due, and advance money for the support of the companion making the assignment.

"I say this under the law of the Grand Chapter:—

"The property of a Chapter is held in trust for the payment of the ordinary necessary expenses of the Chapter, and for charitable purposes.

"These are the only purposes for which a Chapter can appropriate money. If our aged Companion should need, of course, the Chapter would relieve him, but the assignment of the policy would seem to me to take all the grace from the act of charity, and make it a business arrangement, by which the Chapter would have a mercenary interest in the early death of the Companion. It would be neither wise nor prudent for the Chapter to take the proposed action."

We concur.

The Deputy Grand High Priest, Grand King and Grand Scribe submitted their Annual Reports, from which it appears that the Craft in the old Pine Tree State is in a very satisfactory condition.

The Grand Chapter of Maine adopted a resolution welcoming the new Grand Chapter of Arizona to the sisterhood of Grand Chapters, and cordially extended its warmest greetings.

Now we come to the Report on Correspondence from the prolific brain and master hand of Comp. JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND. The reputation of the Chairman of the Maine Correspondence Committee is too well established to be affected by any praise or censure that we might utter, but we must have our say nevertheless. The specimen before us is unexceptionally good, and the material of which it is composed is derived from every North American Grand Chapter, the General Grand Chapter, England, Ireland and Scotland—containing 133 pages, and is a complete report in all its details, a credit to its author, and a valuable addition to Masonic literature.

Under the head of "Mississippi," Comp. P. M. SAVORY quotes Comp. DRUMMOND as saying "that a candidate, after having received one degree in a Chapter, ought not to be precluded from advancement by a single objection," and adds:—

"We cannot endorse that proposition, even though 'tis flashed from a Drummond light; we hold that a Mason has no right to any degree until he has assumed the Ob. of that degree, and if his taking of the Ob. would tend to mar the harmony of the Masonic body to which said Ob. belongs, the candidate should not be advanced, even though it might work a hardship on an 'out.' The 'ins' should hold the fort; to them belong rights—the 'outs' are only *privileged* to advance until they have assumed the Ob. We held that position during the Merger, and no companion received the Cryptic degrees in the Chapter in which we held membership, because the conferring of said degrees would destroy the harmony of the Craft. Some applicants insisted they had a right to receive the degrees, but the unanimous voice of my companions was, No; you gained no right to the Cryptic by taking the Capitular degrees. If 'tis a right, then one ballot should suffice from the ground-floor to the Crypt—grant the ell, and the yard will soon be claimed as

a right. *Stand and deliver*; your secrets will be commanded by men of wealth and influence, no matter what may be their moral character. We thank God it's not the law in Mississippi."

To which Comp. DRUMMOND responds as follows:—

"He seems to have 'mixed things' somewhat. We have nowhere claimed that a Master Mason has a *right* to the Chapter degrees, or a Royal Arch Mason a *right* to the Cryptic degrees; not even if he has been elected and has not received a degree. But we do hold that when a Mason has been elected to receive all the degrees and has received one of them, he is no longer an '*out*' but an '*in*'—*he is in the Chapter*. We hold that the obligations of a Master Mason to an Entered Apprentice are very different from his obligations to a profane; and in like manner that the obligations of a Royal Arch Mason to a Mark Master are very different from his obligations to a Master Mason; but the logic of Comp. SAVERY's apparent position is, that so far as advancement is concerned the obligations are precisely the same.

"When a candidate petitions for the Chapter degrees, he petitions for all of them, and when he is accepted (whether on the one ballot system or the other system), he is virtually accepted for all the degrees. It would be a fraud for a member to vote for him to have the first degree, with the intention of stopping him there. It follows that he has the right to be advanced, unless some reason to the contrary arises, or is discovered after he has received that degree; having that right, it equally follows that he should not be deprived of it, except for a reason which the Chapter shall deem sufficient."

Correct, as usual.

His review of California, occupying three pages, is kindly and fraternal. We part from Comp. DRUMMOND for the present, hoping to hear from him next year, and hoping also that we may not be so closely pressed with business as we are this, for we really like to cross swords with our amiable and scholarly reviewer.

The M. E. CHARLES J. COLLAMORE was re-elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. IRA BERRY was re-elected Grand Secretary. [We regret to hear that Grand Secretary BERRY died Sept. 20th, 1891.]

With the permission of Comp. DRUMMOND we will transfer to our columns his valuable table of statistics:—

GRAND CHAPTERS.	Members.	Exaltations.	Admissions and Restorations.	Dismissals.	Expulsions.	Suspensions.	Suspended for Non-payment of Dues.	Deaths.
Alabama,	726	55	21	16	0	0	22	11
Arizona,	145	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Arkansas,	1,883	214	47	36	1	3	16	24
California,	4,736	241	110	76	0	0	94	97
Canada,	3,807	321	71	112	0	...	*73	38
Colorado,	1,716	161	53	41	0	...	*21	23
Connecticut,	4,739	232	16	25	...	3	37	63
Delaware,	386	31	4	2	0	...	*1	2
District of Columbia,	1,591	113	31	16	0	2	34	24
Florida,	418	44	15	19	0	...	*12	10
Georgia,	2,045	280	23	68	0	...	*43	46
Illinois,	13,274	806	173	279	3	...	*201	152
Indiana,	5,443	343	89	141	4	4	82	74
Indian Territory,	184	18	2	3	0	0	0	0
Iowa,	6,597	358	95	251	3	...	*88	72
Kansas,	4,175	346	82	134	2	...	*46	37
Kentucky,	2,490	160	85	66	3	...	*65	61
Louisiana,	625	36	7	7	0	6	7	16
Maine,	4,969	408	28	57	1	0	31	62
Maryland,	1,366	78	30	26	2	...	*35	21
Massachusetts,	11,198	792	...	134	0	...	*100	146
Michigan,	10,166	726	104	210	6	1	95	106
Minnesota,	3,522	356	46	110	...	1	62	46
Mississippi,	1,240	112	33	25	0	1	24	27
Missouri,	5,562	488	136	142	0	...	*167	65
Montana,	567	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nebraska,	2,519	172	70	77	2	...	*29	18
Nevada,	342	14	4	11	0	0	9	8
New Brunswick,	395	27	3	5	0	...	*11	7
New Hampshire,	2,798	168	10	29	0	0	3	38
New Jersey,	2,854	228	35	66	0	7	47	37
New York,	16,145	1,241	263	235	2	1	466	265
North Carolina,	584	33	8	17	2	0	4	6
North Dakota,	355	55	8	13	0	...	*3	1
Nova Scotia,	553	46	9	23	0	...	*2	8
Ohio,	11,278	693	288	206	25	3	275	171
Oregon,	913	70	29	22	0	0	6	18
Pennsylvania,	11,939	900	199	191	...	...	*164	207
Quebec,	433	19	3	10	0	...	*7	5
Rhode Island,	2,106	177	5	7	0	0	1	25
South Carolina,	587	91	23	10	0	0	8	8
South Dakota,	1,200	136	11	27	1	...	*18	6
Tennessee,	2,202	205	41	64	0	1	35	38
Texas,	4,580	509	108	204	2	...	*76	81
Vermont,	2,429	92	10	13	0	...	*25	52
Virginia,	1,577	189	23	50	1	2	31	34
Washington,	545	64	27	12	0	0	1	1
West Virginia,	806	82	15	22	0	1	28	8
Wisconsin,	4,613	315	51	85	0	...	*69	67
	165,193	12,251	2,544	3,386	60	36	2,674	2,332

* Including suspensions for U. M. C., and those stricken from the roll.

MARYLAND.

The ninety-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Maryland was held in the city of Baltimore on the tenth day of November, 1891,—the *M. : E. : WILLIAM H. CLARK*, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the *R. : E. : GEORGE L. McCAHAN* being Grand Secretary.

The Address of the Grand High Priest is a well prepared paper, devoted principally to matters of local interest. He says:—

“During my term of office it has been my pleasure, in the discharge of a duty laid upon me by the Grand Chapter, to visit each Chapter in this jurisdiction, accompanied by such of the Grand Officers as could conveniently, and in several cases with some sacrifice to themselves, do so. In several instances these visitations have been frequently repeated, and always with recurring pleasure. I have said that it was a pleasure, because, not only because of the cordiality and respect shown to the officers of the Grand Chapter by the officers and members of the subordinate Chapters, but I have also acquired a knowledge of all the Chapters as regards their capabilities and zeal for the work, their financial condition and the attendance and interest manifested by the members, that can only be obtained by personal inspection, and from these visitations I believe that I can bring back to you the report that, with the zeal displayed by the Grand Lecturer, aided by the same zeal on the part of the *M. : E. :* High Priests and officers of the various Chapters, as manifested, with a single exception or two, Capital Masonry in this jurisdiction never occupied a more exalted plane for excellence in rendition of the work as promulgated by this Grand Chapter, than it does at the present time. And I verily believe that the outlook is such as to warrant the Grand Chapter in claiming a position in the front rank of the constituent Grand Chapters of the General Grand Chapter of the United States; and I take occasion at this time to urge upon the officers of the various subordinate Chapters to still further diligence in their work, so that none can gainsay our claim.”

He announces the death of Comp. CHARLES WEBB, Past Grand Master of Masons in Maryland, and a mourning page was set apart to his memory.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows a balance in the treasury of \$314 54.

On motion of Comp. E. T. SCHULTZ, it was—

“Resolved, That the Grand Chapter of Maryland hereby extends cordial greeting and fraternal recognition to the Grand Chapters of Arizona, Indian Territory and Montana.”

The Grand Lecturer reported that he had visited every Chapter in the jurisdiction, and found them, with a single exception, in good condition and doing good work.

Comp. E. T. SCHULTZ again presents the Report on Correspondence, consisting of 108 pages, in which he reviews in his usual able and interesting manner the proceedings of forty-four Grand Chapters.

He approves the ruling of Grand High Priest DAY “that it is not proper for a Past High Priest to open a Chapter for regular business in the absence of the High Priest, King and Scribe.”

Under the head of “New York” he quotes Comp. GARDNER as follows:—

“We have been urged by several of our co-laborers in the reportorial field to express our views more fully, or rather to act the part of a critic or censor over the acts of the different bodies coming under our observation. We have not deemed ourselves at liberty to do so. Ours we consider a mere perfunctory duty. We are simply a committee, as we understand it, to collate the acts and doings of sister bodies; to analyze, digest, and select from much irrelevant matter, that which is of interest and which will be instructive to the Craft generally; to record important official acts established as precedents, either local or general, of the executive or of the body itself; to cull here and there a beautiful flower of rhetoric, or like the honey bee, to extract the sweets from many a charming bit of eloquence

often 'born to blush unseen'; occasionally to lay a chaplet upon the graves of the fraternal dead: in short, to present that to the reader which shall be a focus of information brought from many distant lands.

"Is it not arrogance for a simple committee, possessing no official functions, to set up its *ipse dixit* as against the combined wisdom of the respective Grand Bodies, the acts of which they (the committee) are authorized only to skeletonize, to condense, to solidify? We have no relish for the *argumentum ad hominem* in which some of our co-reporters indulge. When a decision has been rendered by an executive officer, possessing power to adjudicate upon mooted questions, after a thorough investigation of the matter and consultation with and examination of standard authorities, and the result has been referred to a Committee on Jurisprudence, selected for their well known ability and usually from among those who have passed the highest official chair, and their report has been endorsed by the Grand Body itself, are such decisions or acts open to criticism by a non-official body even for an expression? We wot not. We know that for this 'new departure' we shall open up an issue with the old war horses of some of the Correspondence Committees, who have kept their swords whetted and their pens filled with gall, who are always restless unless embroiled in controversy, but as General JACKSON said, in the old United States Bank warfare, 'We take the responsibility.' We feel at all times the liberty to express our views, where practices differ, as they do sometimes, in various jurisdictions, and to point out those differences, but we shall avoid argument on the subject, for we are in duty bound to respect action as established by local authority, until modified or annulled by a higher power. We might ask ourselves *cur bono*? Why engage in a controversy of a non-authoritative character and the result of which cannot possibly be in the least beneficial? It would prove a war of words only."

To which Comp. SCHULTZ replies:—

"The views of your committee, relative to the duties of Reporters on Correspondence, are quite divergent from those entertained by Comp. GARDNER. As we have heretofore stated, we hold that it is not only the privilege but the duty of the Masonic correspondence writer to express his opinions upon the acts and doings of the Grand Bodies submitted to him for review, and to criticise their acts and doings whenever in his judgment and belief they are contrary to the general regulations, usages and customs of the fraternity. Of course this should be done in a courteous and fraternal manner.

"To do so is not 'arrogance' on the part of the committee; although such opinions may be the *ipse dixit* of the committee, they are binding on no one. If the arguments adduced in support of positions assumed by him fail to convince, then his labor and strength has been for naught. But if, as we know has been the case, the criticism of the reporter has caused the repeal of improper legislation, then good has resulted thereby.

"However able and intelligent the officers and members of a Grand Chapter and its Committee on Jurisprudence may be, in the hurry and rush of business, improper legislation often occurs, which, if not noted and criticised at the time, will be quoted and adopted by others.

"An instance of this which happened in Comp. GARDNER's own jurisdiction a few years since, occurs to our mind. The Committee on Jurisprudence, composed of five Past Grand High Priests, two of whom had occupied the exalted station of General Grand High Priests, in one of their reports took the position that 'the charter of a Chapter can be surrendered by a majority vote of its members.' Several of the correspondence writers criticised this ruling, holding that if there are nine or more members who have not assented, the charter cannot be surrendered.

"A year or two subsequently a new constitution and regulations was adopted by the Grand Chapter of New York, and among the regulations was the following: 'So long as nine members of a Chapter desire to retain the charter it cannot be surrendered.'

"While we are not prepared to say this change in the sentiment of the companions of New York was brought about by the criticism and discussion of the subject by Reporters on Correspondence, the presumption is that it was."

There are thirteen subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, having an aggregate membership of 1366.

The Grand High Priest and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

MASSACHUSETTS.

The usual Quarterly Convocations of this Grand Chapter were held at the appointed times, but no business of general interest was transacted except at the Quarterly Convocation held on the ninth day of June, 1891, when the *M. E.* Grand High Priest, in feeling terms, announced the death of the *R. E.* Grand Secretary ALFRED F. CHAPMAN. He stated that he had appointed a committee to prepare and present a memorial, which was read and adopted by a standing vote. It concludes as follows:—

"With all his great attainments he was modest, unassuming, a most genial companion, an earnest and zealous friend, strong and faithful, tender-hearted, sympathetic, full of brotherly love and kindness. No man was ever stronger or more steadfast in his friendships. He always rejoiced as heartily over a friend's success or happiness as though it were his own.

"The measure of the great place he occupied in our hearts is the strong sense of personal loss, that does not seem to be lessened as time goes on. We are beginning to realize how valuable his services have been to the Craft."

The *R. E.* SERANUS BOWEN was unanimously elected Grand Secretary, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Comp. CHAPMAN.

At the Quarterly held September eighth, 1891, the following amendment to the Constitution was unanimously adopted:—

"No person shall be eligible to the office of Grand High Priest, Deputy Grand High Priest, Grand King, Grand Scribe, Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, or District Deputy Grand High Priest, unless he be a Past High Priest of a subordinate Chapter under the jurisdiction of some Grand Chapter, or has heretofore held one of the aforesaid offices in this Grand Chapter; and no one of the officers here enumerated, except Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, shall, during his continuance in office, be High Priest, King or Scribe of a subordinate Chapter.

"No person shall be eligible to an office in this Grand Chapter except he be a permanent member thereof, or a member of a subordinate Chapter under this jurisdiction.

"No person shall be eligible to the office of Grand High Priest for more than three successive years."

The ninety-third Annual Convocation was held in the city of Boston on the ninth day of December, 1891,—the *M. E.* J. ALBERT BLAKE, Grand High Priest, presiding, the *R. E.* SERANUS BOWEN being Grand Secretary.

Immediately on the opening of the Grand Chapter, after the Grand High Priest had welcomed the companions, the *R. E.* SERANUS BOWEN introduced *M. E.* Comp. MILTON HILLS MYRICK, of San Francisco, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of California. Grand High Priest BLAKE welcomed him to the Convocation, and in well-chosen and graceful words spoke of the pleasure it gave him to greet so distinguished a representative of the Royal Craft from the Pacific Coast.

As is customary in the Grand Jurisdiction of Massachusetts, the Grand Lecturer, at the request of the Grand High Priest, occupied the East and proceeded with the exemplification of the work and lectures of the several Chapter degrees, to which the entire day was devoted.

At the evening session the Address of the Grand High Priest was read. It is a well-prepared paper, but devoted only to matters of local interest.

The report of the Finance Committee shows the funds of the Grand Chapter to consist of \$11,019.15.

The Grand High Priest then delivered his Address, in which he says: "We are again assembled within the sacred portals of the Temple for the purpose of reviewing the events and work of the closing year, to interchange greetings, to con-

gratulate each other upon the prosperous condition of Capitular Masonry, and to consider and act upon such matters of common interest as may be presented."

He had issued seven dispensations during the year for what seemed good and sufficient reasons, and adds :—

"I desire to say in this connection that while the power to grant dispensations in emergencies has been wisely placed in the hands of the *M. E.* Grand High Priest, at the same time I would remind the companions that by-laws are made to be observed, and that the request for a dispensation setting aside their provisions, should not be lightly asked for, and granted only in cases of absolute necessity. I think there is occasion for more circumspection in this matter."

The reports of the District Deputies show a very gratifying condition of the Royal Craft in Massachusetts, and we congratulate our companions upon their prosperity.

The Report on Correspondence is from the pen of Comp. SERANUS BOWEN, who shows himself to be a fitting successor to Comps. DADMUN and CHAPMAN. He reviews thirty-five Grand Chapters in ninety-three pages. California for 1891 receives a generous share of his attention, and he has a kindly word for the writer, for which we return our thanks. He says :—

"This report is undertaken with a feeling of profound grief and an overshadowing sense of great personal loss in the death of ALFRED F. CHAPMAN, who was appointed to fill the place made vacant by the death of Rev. JOHN W. DADMUN. Both of these companions were intimate friends of the writer, and each was peculiarly fitted to write attractive and readable reports, containing much that was of great value to the Craft. Their life work is ended, but who can estimate the effect of the labor and example of each of these companions upon the future of the Fraternity they loved and served so well?"

There are seventy-two Chapters in this jurisdiction, with a total membership of 11,737.

The *M. E.* J. ALBERT BLAKE was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* SERANUS BOWEN was elected Grand Secretary.

MICHIGAN.

This Grand Chapter held its forty-second Annual Convocation in the city of Detroit on Tuesday, January twentieth, 1891,—the *M. E.* WILLIAM G. HUDSON, Grand High Priest, presiding, the *R. E.* WILLIAM P. INNES being Grand Secretary. All the Grand Officers were present with the exception of two. One hundred and fifteen subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Address of the Grand High Priest is a concise, business-like paper, showing a careful attention to the duties of his high position, and a watchful care over the welfare of the Craft under his supervision. In his opening he says :—

"Another year has passed away, and through the goodness and mercy of God we are once again permitted to assemble together in annual convocation, to review the proceedings of the past, and to determine upon such a course for the future as shall inure to the continued prosperity and usefulness of the Royal Craft in this Grand Jurisdiction.

"When you did me the distinguished honor, one year ago, which makes it my high privilege to preside over your deliberations to-day, it was not without a feeling of diffidence that I assumed the grave responsibilities which necessarily devolve upon the incumbent of so important a station. But after the kind offers of advice and assistance tendered by some of my illustrious predecessors, and relying upon the kind co-operation of my companions, I entered upon the duties with a determination to sacredly guard the trust reposed in me, and to devote my best energies to promoting the welfare of the craft. And, if my efforts in this respect are only partially achieved, I am more than satisfied, and shall return the gavel

into your hands with the knowledge that my labors have not been altogether in vain. And, companions, I can truly say that Masonry regards no man for his worldly wealth or honors, for if such had been the case, I should never have attained to this high and honorable position, and I assure you that I appreciate it from the depth of my heart."

He mentions the death of Past Grand High Priest A. B. CUDWORTH, of the Grand Chapter of Michigan, and pays appropriate tribute to the companions of other jurisdictions who have passed to their reward.

Ten decisions are reported by the Grand High Priest, from which we select the following:—

"*Question 1.* Can a brother who has been elected to receive the Chapter degrees, be stopped from taking the degrees by objections, or in any other way?"

"*Answer.* If there were no degrees conferred on the brother, then an objection is valid. If he had received one or more degrees, an objection would only avail for thirty days, unless charges and specifications were preferred. If this is done, then a trial must be had.

"*Question 2.* We wish to know if the objection to the advancement of a candidate is sufficient?"

"*Answer.* No.

"*Question 3.* A brother elected to receive Chapter degrees; objection filed before he receives any degree. Does this stop the candidate?"

"*Answer.* The objection is valid, and you should refund the money and inform the brother that he was rejected.

"*Question 4.* Brother CLARK is a member of Zion Lodge, No. 1; by occupation an engineer on the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad, his business taking him between Toledo and Detroit, and having a part of the time in each city, but his family residing in Toledo. His Lodge being in Detroit, he wishes to join this Chapter. Would it be possible, under the circumstances, to receive his petition?"

"*Answer.* It would be impossible for you to receive the brother's petition. See Article 10, Section 7, Grand Constitution: 'All applications of the Chapter degrees must be by petition to the Chapter nearest the place where the candidate resides. *Provided,* That any other Chapter may receive and act upon petition, by and with the written consent, showing waiver of jurisdiction, by unanimous vote, and certified under seal of said Chapter.'

"*Question 5.* Has a visiting companion, who has made himself personal and objectionable, the right to visit the Chapter against the wishes of one of its members?"

"*Answer.* No. If any companion objects to a companion who is not a member visiting your Chapter, it is the duty of the High Priest to refuse him admittance."

Two dispensations were granted for the formation of new Chapters, and four special dispensations of a local nature.

Grand Secretary INNES devotes a large portion of his report to the condition of the Library, and is working zealously to increase the same. He says:—

"We can now claim to have progressed in this matter, and I hope there will be no further halt, but that progress may be our watchword until our Michigan stands equal to any jurisdiction in that direction."

The Grand Chapters of Indian Territory and North Dakota were formally recognized and heartily welcomed to the sisterhood of Grand Chapters.

The report of the Finance Committee shows the handsome balance of cash on hand of \$7,584.99.

A Past Grand High Priest's jewel was presented to Comp. WILLIAM G. HUDSON as a token of the good wishes of the Grand Chapter.

The Report on Correspondence is the joint production of Companions WILLIAM P. INNES and GARRA B. NOBLE. Forty-two Grand Chapters are reviewed in one

hundred and ninety-eight pages. California fell to the lot of Companion NOBLE, and his review is kind and fraternal.

Owing to the fact that Comp. INNES' time was being devoted to the Masonic Fair for the benefit of the Masonic Home at Michigan, the greater part of the report was written by Comp. NOBLE, and he thus concludes his report:—

"In submitting this report, the writer is fully aware of the inferiority of the work presented.

"At the request of the Grand Secretary, Companion WILLIAM P. INNES, chairman of the committee, we consented to make the Report on Correspondence. We undertook the task with very great diffidence, being aware of the able manner this position has been filled for years past by one whose well-earned fame has spread both far and wide for the excellence of his work as your Reporter on Correspondence."

There are one hundred and twenty Chapters in this jurisdiction, with a total membership of 10,166.

The *M. E.* SAMUEL C. RANDALL was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* WILLIAM P. INNES was re-elected Grand Secretary.

MINNESOTA.

The thirtieth Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held at the city of St. Paul on the thirteenth day of October, 1891,—the *M. E.* ALONZO BRANDENBURG, Grand High Priest, presiding, the *R. E.* THOMAS MONTGOMERY being Grand Secretary. Forty-seven of the fifty-one subordinate Chapters in the jurisdiction were represented.

The Address of the Grand High Priest is a well prepared paper, in which he gives an account of his stewardship. In opening, he says:—

"Another milestone has been passed on our onward journey, never to return; another year has come and gone, with all its privileges and enjoyments; we have again knelt around our sacred altar; formed the fraternal chain that binds us into one band of friends and brothers and invoked the blessing of the Grand High Priest of the universe in all our laudable undertakings.

"Companions of this saintly city, well may you feel proud of your achievements! But a few short years ago there could not be heard the sound of axe or hammer where to-day stands this magnificent temple; and within these walls we hear the sound of the gavel calling us from refreshments to labor in the most useful tenets of our profession—brotherly love, relief and truth. Many of the companions whose faces I see before me to-day have met with this Grand Chapter year after year and assisted in legislating for the good of the craft, while some are absent who, perhaps, will meet with us no more."

He pays an eloquent tribute to the fraternal dead of other jurisdictions, concluding as follows:—

"Melancholy as such reflections may be, that our companions are passing away, that their earthly pilgrimage has ended, yet we fondly hope that by faith they have visited the sepulcher of their ascended Lord, and through his merits now rest from their labors in the hope of a glorious resurrection."

He had granted a number of dispensations to hold special Convocations for the election of officers, and had refused to grant dispensations to allow Chapters to receive, ballot upon, and confer the several degrees on candidates the same evening. As a reason for such refusal he says:—

"In each and every instance I have refused to do so, for the reason, companions, when a brother resides for years in the vicinity of a Chapter, and does not feel a sufficient interest in or love for Masonry to apply for the degrees, and only becomes alive to its beauties and advantages at the last moment, just as he is upon the eve of taking some journey, emigrating to some other State, using the Chapter as a

stepping-stone to get into the Commandery, or just before some Masonic gathering he knocks at our outer door, he can hardly be said to be uninfluenced by mercenary motives. As a class, such material will hardly produce work that will pass the overseer. It is not the amount of work, but the kind you receive and mould into Royal Arch Masons, that builds up your Chapter."

Nearly all the questions asked of him during the year have been long-settled ones in Masonic law. He "goes" for the High Priests in the following manner:—

"Some of you, I fear, are not the Masonic students your positions require of you. Search diligently for the information you need, and many, very many times you will be rewarded, saving the Grand High Priest the time of writing you and referring you to the printed proceedings, and saving you of that humiliation that comes to all that have neglected their duty."

He had constituted three new Chapters during the year and installed their officers.

The following resolution was adopted:—

Resolved, That the Grand Chapter of Minnesota fraternally welcomes the Grand Chapter of Arizona into the sisterhood of sovereign and independent Grand Chapters and recommends an interchange of Grand Representatives.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows the handsome balance on hand of \$5,835.83.

The Report on Correspondence is from the pen of Comp. THOMAS MONTGOMERY, Grand Secretary. It occupies eighty-four pages of the appendix, and is readable and interesting throughout. California for 1891 receives generous notice. Comp. MONTGOMERY promises to be one of the charmed circle of Masonic correspondents, and we trust that he may prove as faithful a chronicler of Masonic events as was his lamented predecessor.

There are fifty-five subordinate Chapters in the jurisdiction, with a total membership of 3,907, being a gain for the year of 241.

The M. E. JAMES M. MARTIN was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. THOMAS MONTGOMERY was re-elected Grand Secretary.

MISSISSIPPI.

The forty-third Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Aberdeen on the eleventh day of February, 1891,—the M. E. W. R. TINGE, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the R. E. J. L. POWER being Grand Secretary. Thirty-four subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Address of the Grand High Priest is entirely local in character. He opens by congratulating the companions that "for the first time in many years the Grand Chapter is out of debt."

He announces the death of the M. E. Grand Scribe, ROBERT C. PATTY, and says of him:—

"Who that met with him in this body one year ago, moving around with his genial smile, and apparently in perfect health, entertained the thought that he, younger than some of us and full of promise for the future, would be first called? But so it is, and we can only pause for a moment, heave a sigh as we drop a tear of fraternal love on his fresh-made grave, trusting that the recollection of his pure life may encourage us to strive each day that we may be prepared at the call of the Great High Priest of the Universe to enter into the joys of the holy of holies above."

The Grand Secretary presented a concise report (his twenty-first) of the doings of his office for the year.

The Grand Treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$104.97.

The Report on Correspondence is again from the pen of the veteran P. M. SAVERY. He reviews in thirty-nine pages the proceedings of forty-one Grand Chapters, California for 1890 being of the number. We quote from his conclusion:—

"The 'Masonic Home' is a prominent design on many trestle-boards and the Grand Jurisdictions where such an Home has been completed are as justly proud of it as were the Most Excellent Masters at the completion and dedication of the Temple of Solomon.

Each of these Homes are like a beautiful Temple erected to the service of God. Inside its portals is dispensed charity—blessed charity—while the exterior shineth with light and glory unsurpassed by temples built with mortal hands, for the builder's work is prompted by the purest and most disinterested motives that ever actuated human hearts. It is a work that will be blessed by God, and the generations that follow after will accord the builders a record of good and faithful Masons, worthy of their hire. Mississippi must and will have this treasure within her own jurisdiction. The determination of zealous companions who are tireless in their endeavor to promote the cause of good everywhere—who, though oftentimes defeated, never despair, but press on—right on to the accomplishment of the desired end, invoking the blessing of God upon their labor, will surely succeed at last and the capstone will be set with joy and gladness. God speed the day when the Home shall be completed and dedicated to its high and holy work."

There are forty-five subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, with a membership of twelve hundred and forty.

The M. E. P. M. SAVERY was elected Grand High Priest and the R. E. J. L. POWER was re-elected Grand Secretary.

MISSOURI.

The forty-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Missouri was held in the city of St. Louis on the twenty-third day of April, 1891,—the M. E. JAMES B. AUSTIN, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. WILLIAM H. MAYO being Grand Secretary. Seventy-eight subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Address of the Grand High Priest gives evidence of care and thought, and breathes the true spirit of Masonry. In opening he says:—

"Under the providence of God we are permitted to assemble in the forty-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Missouri. On receiving the gavel from my predecessor and assuming the duties and responsibilities of this office, I found the Craft in harmony, and have the pleasure of knowing that nothing has transpired during the year to break the golden chain that binds the several Chapters of this Grand Jurisdiction in peace and unity."

Under the caption of "Companions Resting," he mentions ten Past High Priests who had died during the year, and says of them:—

"These companions presided with dignity, and have left the impress of their work stamped on many hearts; and, while the subordinate Chapters have been bereaved of loved companions, our Grand Jurisdiction has felt the keen edge of the sickle."

He also refers to the death of past Grand High Priest CADLE, of whom he says:—

"M. E. Comp. JAMES E. CADLE, Past Grand High Priest of Missouri, departed this life July 9th, 1890. Comp. CADLE's face brought sunshine into the many Convocations of this Grand Chapter which he attended; his heart was warm and the fraternal grasp will ever be remembered by us. As a citizen he was just and true; as a physician he was ranked among the foremost; as a Mason he was a zealous brother and a safe adviser; as a friend he was true and honorable; sound in counsel, just in his dealings; with suavity of manner, gentleness of expression, and a heart full to overflowing with tender emotions. May we emulate his virtues, and keep his memory green in our hearts."

The Grand Secretary read the following telegram from San Francisco, and on motion of Comp. ANDERSON the Grand Secretary was requested to reply by wire:—

"SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., April 21st, 1891.

Jas. B. Anstin, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons Missouri, St. Louis:—

The Grand Chapter of California, now in session, sends greetings to the Grand Chapter of Missouri at its forty-fourth Annual Convocation. We wish you success, but if difficulties should arise among your workmen and you get crowded out, come west.

WM. A. DAVIES,
Representative of Missouri near California."

To which the following was sent in response:—

"HALL OF THE GRAND CHAPTER
OF ROYAL ARCH MASONRY OF MISSOURI,
St. Louis, April 23d, 1891. }

To Wm. A. Davies, care of Thos. H. Caswell, Masonic Temple, San Francisco, Cal.:

The M. E. Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Missouri, now in session, 400 strong, responds to the fraternal greetings of her companions of California, and with grateful hearts wishes them prosperity, capital and secular. The hearts of Missouri Masons are big enough to reach to California without our going west.

Faternally,

WM. H. MAYO, *Grand Secretary."*

The Grand Treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$4,146 34.

The Committee on Ritual submitted the following report, which was unanimously adopted:—

"We have given the subject committed to our consideration considerable time and much thought. We have unanimously agreed upon certain points, which will be reported verbally during this session. We have recognized the necessity of adhering to the old Missouri work, with which so many of our companions are thoroughly familiar, as any unnecessary changes would result in confusion, without any corresponding benefit. Before agreeing upon a proposition to change any portion of our work, we have submitted the same to a critical comparison, not only with the work recommended by the Committee on Ritual of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, but with the rituals of our sister Grand Jurisdictions, as far as the same were accessible to us, as well as comparing notes with well informed companions of several jurisdictions. We do not believe in constant tinkering with work, and therefore, being of the opinion that the work as revised and adopted at this session will continue in use in this jurisdiction for many years, we thought it best, even at the cost of some pains and labor to our companions, that such portions as we conceived to be blemishes in our work, should now be corrected at once and for the future. In the comparison of our work with that of other jurisdictions we are still of the opinion, which we expressed a year ago, that our work will compare favorably with that of any other in the United States to which we have had access."

The Report on Correspondence, by Comp. WILLIAM H. MAYO, is exactly what might be expected from its talented author—sound, logical and interesting. The report comprises a review of the proceedings of forty-one Grand Chapters, and covers 112 pages. California receives a four-page notice and is kindly and courteously reviewed. Comp. MAYO prefaces his report with a valuable table of statistics, and also a novel as well as useful table showing the largest and smallest subordinate Chapters in the United States. This is Comp. MAYO's twelfth report and is equal to his best effort. He is entitled to the thanks of the Royal Craft for the interesting information contained in his valuable compilation. We would gladly linger longer with Comp. MAYO, but we are working against time, and at a high-pressure rate that is not at all satisfactory to us: so we will say farewell for the present and give his concluding words:—

"Well, here we are again at home, at our desk, looking back over our journey, considering what we have seen, heard and said as we passed along, and now we must come to some conclusion about the whole trip, and make a little summary, as it were, or 'words to that effect,' as Comp. JOHN BROWN, of Kansas, would put it. We have traveled all over the United States, visited, culled from the proceedings matters of general interest and instructions from forty-one Grand Jurisdictions owing allegiance to the General Grand Chapter, gave a short synopsis of the interesting and important legislation of that General Grand Body at its meeting in Atlanta, Ga. We have also reviewed and commented upon the proceedings of the only three Grand Jurisdictions in the United States that are so-called *Independent*, who do not acknowledge allegiance to the General Grand Chapter but who should beyond the shadow of a doubt affiliate with and become a part of the General Grand Body at their earliest opportunity, or give some plausible reason if they can for their very great inconsistency."

There are ninety-five chartered Chapters in this jurisdiction, with a total membership of 5,562, being an increase for the year of 260.

The *M. E.* IRA V. McMILLAN was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* WILLIAM H. MAYO was re-elected Grand Secretary.

MONTANA.

A Convention was held at Montana on June 25th, 1891, for the purpose of organizing a Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons for the State of Montana. The ten chartered Chapters of the State were represented.

A Constitution was adopted, and officers elected. After adjournment the members of the new Grand Chapter immediately convened in their first Annual Convocation.

WALTER E. FREDERICK, as proxy for the *M. E.* General Grand High Priest, assumed the Chair, filled the several stations, and opened a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons and proclaimed the *M. E.* Grand Chapter of Montana duly and legally constituted.

On motion of the Grand Secretary a further report on credentials was dispensed with, and those present at the Constitutional Convention were accepted as members of the Grand Chapter with the addition only of the new elective officers, which might be chosen from present or Past High Priests.

After the adoption of a Code of By-Laws for the government of the subordinate Chapters, and some minor business, the Grand Chapter was closed.

The proceedings were in accordance with recognized Masonic usage, and in pursuance of competent authority; and the new Grand Chapter is entitled to fraternal recognition.

Montana commences with ten subordinate Chapters with a membership of 567. RICHARD O. HICKMAN, Grand High Priest; CORNELIUS HEDGES, Grand Secretary.

We welcome the Grand Chapter of Montana to the sisterhood of Grand Chapters, and bespeak a future of prosperity and usefulness.

NEBRASKA.

The twenty-fifth Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Columbus on the sixteenth day of December, 1891,—the *M. E.* FRANK H. YOUNG, Grand High Priest, presiding, the *R. E.* WILLIAM H. BOWEN being Grand Secretary.

Comp. CARROLL D. EVANS, of *Orient* Chapter, welcomes the Grand Chapter in the following words:—

"Most Excellent Grand High Priest, officers, members and companions: *Orient* Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of Columbus, Nebraska, extend to this Grand Body a most fraternal and hearty welcome, and as thus we bestow upon you all the hospitality that our Chapter and city can afford in a humble way; we cannot give you all the pleasure and advantage of a metropolis where your extra or leisure moments may be passed viewing the modern novelties and art of the day, or hearing the last efforts produced by the great Wagner, or the great scientific problems of the present day discussed, but we extend to you that Masonic welcome that brings us together as brothers and companions, that unlimited principle, charity, which greets you to our halls, our homes and the entire freedom of our city. With what satisfaction we meet on this, the twenty-fifth anniversary of our Grand Body! After a quarter of a century of industrious labor, we again come together as a part of the greatest and grandest organization the world has ever possessed. We mingle together in one common cause; our minds and our hands are at work for the benefit of mankind; and that hierarchy which dethrones the temple of reason and destroys the principle of men causes man to be subservient to that thralldom which is foreign to the high and honorable principles of our organization. How pleasing it must be to us all that when and where we meet fraternity is the beacon light that bears us on to a successful termination of principle, and oligarchy is lost to us in oblivion! Let us as good and true Masons be prompted by the examples and principles of those who have gone this way before us; let us be stimulated by the history left us of those at Zeredatha in hewing, squaring, marking and numbering the stones with such absolute correctness for that building which we alike adore, and as they in their operative executions worked with such perfectness, let us build that moral temple that will bring credit to our Order, and a final termination where the symmetry and harmony of the white stone of our moral life may have thereon written a new name which will insure us eternal happiness. Let us be diligent and aspiring. It is an honor to be a high Mason, but a high Mason without the knowledge of the truths and principles of the great moral lessons taught is an honor without a name. As we again welcome you to our city during the hurried and busy labors of this Convocation, we hope, when we part, that we will have acquitted ourselves of that pleasant duty which we are proud to fulfill, that of having entertained you as the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Nebraska."

After the Grand Secretary had read a communication from the Mayor extending a hearty welcome and the freedom of the city to the Grand Chapter, the *M. E. C.* Comp. SAMUEL P. DAVIDSON, at the request of the Grand High Priest, replied as follows:—

"Excellent Companions—The warm words of welcome from our Excellent Companion EVANS, representing *Orient* Chapter, and the Mayor of Columbus, are certainly warmly appreciated. The noble sentiments contained in these addresses are worthy of our strongest commendation. I know I voice the sentiments of the members of this Grand Body when I say we most heartily and fraternally and approvingly respond to these sentiments. We accept the kind hospitality so heartily extended. I know I also voice the mind of the members of this Grand Body when I express the hope that the inspiration we receive from this visit to this beautiful and thriving city, and this association with the companions of *Orient* Chapter, may spur us on to greater usefulness, and when we return to our respective fields of labor, may our lives more perfectly illustrate the principle suggested in Companion EVANS' address. Allow me, then, to extend our hearty thanks for this warm welcome, and express our wish that our visit may not only be a pleasure for the short time we may be together, but also a source of pleasant memories for ourselves, and for the companions and citizens of Columbus during the years to come."

The Address of the Grand High Priest is strictly a business paper, confined mainly to a recital of his official acts, and is of local interest only.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows a balance on hand of \$2,271.15

The Report on Correspondence is from the pen of Comp. CHARLES J. PHELPS, Comp. BOWEN having reported to the Grand High Priest that he would be unable to perform the work devolving upon him. The report is an excellent one, and shows that the Grand High Priest made no mistake in the selection of a Reporter. Read his opening:—

"Directed by constituted authority, at the eleventh hour, October 31, 1891, to go into the reportorial quarries, and charged by the Right Excellent powers that be and preside in the Grand Secretary's office to exhibit every last specimen not later than the fifth day of December, I, in obedience, repaired to the pile of proceedings received some two or three days later, where I wrought diligently for the space of about time enough to discover that some of these proceedings, according to certain indorsements thereon, had arrived at headquarters in this Grand Jurisdiction, one, that of Rhode Island, being indorsed, 'Rec'd 4 Dec., 1890'; another, that of Colorado, 'Rec'd 14 Jan., 1891'; another, that of Michigan, 'Rec'd 6 Mar., 1891'; and another, that large volume from the empire jurisdiction of New York, 'Rec'd 10 May, 1891.' Surely, said I, this is the eleventh hour, and I, a young craftsman not yet initiated into the work, it is expected and hoped, will complete, during the one short hour left in the Capitular year, the Report on Correspondence. Vain hope!

"But I mused thus: 'I can bring up specimens of skill, wrought by these Master Workmen, that are lying before me in such profusion.' And with this thought I opened."

He then reviews the proceedings of forty-five Grand Chapters and the General Grand Chapter, handling himself like a veteran. His report occupies eighty-seven pages of the proceedings, California for 1891 receiving a two-page notice. Comp. PERLES is a very promising youngster and wields the "Faber" as though to the manner born. There are many things in this excellent report that we would like to comment upon had we the time, but we also started in at the eleventh hour, and are compelled to use our most powerful condenser.

There are fifty-one Chapters in this jurisdiction, having a membership of 2,625.

The M. E., JOHN B. DINSMORE was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E., WILLIAM R. BOWEN was re-elected Grand Secretary.

NEVADA.

The eighteenth Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Reno on the eighth day of June, 1891,—the M. E., JOHN H. HUBBS, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E., C. N. NOTEWARE being Grand Secretary.

The Address of the Grand High Priest is brief and confined mainly to a recital of his official acts.

He says that "previous to laying before you my official acts, let us pause for a moment. During the year our ranks have been unbroken, and we have not been called upon to mourn the loss by death of a single member of this Grand Chapter."

He mentions the names of the honored Masons of other jurisdictions who had passed away and pays kindly tribute to their memory.

The charter of *Humboldt* Chapter, No. 9, having been mislaid or lost, the Grand High Priest issued a special dispensation to the above named Chapter, authorizing it to meet and transact business until such time as their charter might be found, or until the meeting of the Grand Chapter.

He had granted a special dispensation to *Austin* Chapter, No. 3, to hold an election for officers at a time other than that fixed by the Constitution, they having failed to elect at the proper time.

There is nothing in the official acts of the Grand High Priest which calls for comment or criticism. Whatever of work in the interest of the Royal Craft came to his hand he seems to have performed intelligently and well.

The Grand Treasurer's report shows a cash balance on hand of \$335.73.

Nevada greets with pleasure the formation of the Grand Chapter of Arizona, and bids her a hearty and fraternal welcome, and requests an interchange of Representatives.

Comp. FRANK BELL submits a short Report on Correspondence, reviewing forty-five Grand Chapters and the General Grand Chapter of the United States in twenty-six pages. He reviews our proceedings for 1890 in a fraternal spirit and pays us this compliment: "Comp. CASWELL, as usual, has a report creditable not only to himself, but to the Royal Craft of the Golden State. We would like to clip a few of the many good things from it, but can't tell where to commence or where to quit, unless we start in at the beginning and go right through, so we conclude to let it alone."

There are eight subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 301.

The *M. E.* CHARLES W. HINCHOLIFFE was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* C. N. NOTEWARE was re-elected Grand Secretary.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

A Special Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held on the twenty-fourth day of February, 1891, for the purpose of exemplifying the Capitular degrees. A banquet was held in the evening on invitation of *Mount Horeb* Chapter.

The seventy-third Annual Convocation was held on the nineteenth day of May, 1891,—the *M. E.* NATHAN P. HUNT, Grand High Priest, presiding, the *R. E.* GEORGE P. CLEAVES being Grand Secretary. Fourteen subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest opens his Address in the following words:—

"Time in its rapid flight has added another year, with its joys and sorrows, its hopes and disappointments, to those already past, and we are again brought together in annual convocation to exchange our fraternal greetings, to inspect the work of the year, and take such action for the future as shall insure the continued prosperity and usefulness of the Royal Craft in this jurisdiction.

"As we assemble once more around our sacred altar, filled with new zeal and increasing love for the great principles of our Order, let us return devout thanks to the Supreme High Priest for the manifold blessings we have enjoyed, and invoke His guidance and protection for the future.

"I extend to you each and all a most fraternal greeting and cordial welcome to this our seventy-third Annual Convocation, and congratulate you upon the prosperous condition of the Craft, and the peace and harmony that prevail throughout our jurisdiction."

Under the head of "Necrology," he announces that, since the last Annual Convocation, the Angel of Death has summoned five companions to pass beyond the veils—DANIEL W. EDGEELY, EDWIN VAUGHN, DANIEL P. QUIMBY, JOHN J. PRENTISS, and DANIEL C. MELLOWS. He gives a short biography of each, and recommends that memorial pages be set apart to their memory.

He gives an encouraging account of his visits to the Chapters, and says that "during the period that I have held the office of Grand High Priest, it has been my privilege to make at least one official visit to each of the subordinate Chapters in the jurisdiction and witness the conferring of one or more of the degrees in all, with three exceptions. The utmost harmony and fraternal feeling prevailed within their sanctuaries, and no complaint or discord has been heard throughout the jurisdiction."

The following is the only decision that he deemed of sufficient importance to report to his Grand Chapter:—

"After the election of a candidate and before the conferring the degrees an objection is made, can the degrees be conferred upon the candidate?"

"They cannot. An objection after election and before the conferring of the degrees is equivalent to a rejection."

He had issued no dispensations for any purpose whatever during the year.

He concludes his Address as follows:—

"And now, companions, having rendered an account of my official acts, I return to you my heartfelt thanks for the distinguished honor conferred in calling me to preside over this Grand Chapter. Your generous support to my endeavors, your kind considerations and courtesy, has rendered the position very pleasant. I trust I am not unmindful of the obligations I am under for these marks of your respect and esteem. In surrendering the trust confided to me, permit me to express the hope that we may all be blessed with health and strength and spared many years to uphold and advance the noble and glorious work of the Craft."

The Report of the Grand Treasurer shows a balance on hand of \$2262 15.

The Report on Correspondence is again from the pen of Comp. ALBERT S. WAIT, and is equal to any of his former efforts. He reviews the proceedings of forty-five Grand Chapters in one hundred and thirty pages, California for 1890 receiving a generous notice. We quote his conclusion, as follows:—

"We now bring to a close our review of the Capitular year, submitting our work to the consideration of such of the companions as may do us the honor to read it. Including the Foreign Correspondence Report from Texas, it is a review of the published Proceedings of forty-five sister Grand Chapters, besides those of the General Grand Chapter of the United States and the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales; and we have endeavored to give such transactions of the Craft, with what has been said or written by the learned among its members, as would fairly display the progress of the year and the opinions which prevail upon the leading topics which have been brought under discussion.

"A survey of the Masonic field, especially that of the Capitular branch, discovers a state of harmony throughout the entire fraternity, with a condition of general prosperity most gratifying to the Craft, and at the same time assuring to their hopes for the future of the institution.

"If what we here present shall be found to contain anything useful to the companions, in giving direction to correct thought or laudable deed, we shall be happy that our labors have not been wholly in vain. If anything in it shall be found to contain, more or less, than should have been said, or if anything has been said after a manner not consonant to true Masonic courtesy, in these respects we truly wish it might be unsaid."

Comp. WAIT presents his views in a spirit of fairness and candor worthy of all consideration, and submits a report that has not been surpassed by any that has come under our notice. We would gladly tarry with our esteemed confrere, but the time at our disposal will not permit us to carefully examine the proceedings of New Hampshire, much less to comment thereon. *Au revoir* for the present.

There are twenty-one Chapters on the roll, with a total membership of 2798, being a gain of 117 for the year.

The M. E. HORACE AMES BROWN was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. GEORGE P. CLEAVES was re-elected Grand Secretary.

NEW JERSEY.

The thirty-fifth Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Trenton on the thirteenth day of May, 1891,—the M. E. WILLIAM H. SEBRING, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. GEORGE B. EDWARDS being Grand Secretary. Thirty subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Address of the Grand High Priest is a business-like document. He opens as follows :—

“Another link in the great chain of time has been forged; another step has been taken toward immeasurable eternity. Deeply grateful to our Almighty Father for His beneficent guidance, and for the blessings He has so fully showered upon us, let us press forward with increased courage, having love and charity toward all, and an unquestioning faith in the promises of God. Let us each so strive to live that when he shall have passed to the other shore, he may have earned the epitaph: The world is better for his having lived in it.”

He reported the deaths of several distinguished companions during the year: JAMES H. PATTERSON, JOHN J. HOLLAND, JOHN H. CUNNINGHAM and WILLIAM HARDACRE, and, at his suggestion, a memorial page was set apart in the proceedings to their memory.

The Grand Treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$1646 09.

The Report on Correspondence is from the pen of HENRY VEHS�AGE. He reviews in seventy-eight pages the proceedings of forty Grand Chapters, California for 1890 being of the number. He devotes three pages to California, and makes liberal extracts from Grand High Priest DAV'S Address. We would gladly spend more time with Comp. VEHS�AGE, but we are doing our utmost to condense, in order to get our report ready before the meeting of the Grand Chapter. Comp. VEHS�AGE concludes as follows :—

“Reaching a measure of brevity through the absence of the records of a few Grand Chapters, and the non-receipt of which is regretted, we are not disposed to extend the report, except by adding the expression of the enjoyment we have had in this kind of conference with our esteemed companions, and of the hope that our labors may be advantageous to the Craft, to whom this review is fraternally submitted.”

There are thirty-six subordinates in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 2854.

The M. E. ROBERT A. SIMPSON was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. GEORGE B. EDWARDS was re-elected Grand Secretary.

NEW YORK.

Excellent steel engravings of Past Grand High Priests SEYMOUR H. STONE and REES G. WILLIAMS adorn the volume before us.

The ninety-fourth Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Albany on the third day of February, 1891,—the M. E. WILLIAM J. McDONALD, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the R. E. CHRISTOPHER G. FOX being Grand Secretary. One hundred and eighty-three subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Address of the Grand High Priest is a well written, thorough and comprehensive document. In it he announces that the Royal Craft of that Great Jurisdiction is in a very prosperous and harmonious condition. We select the following from his opening :—

“Through the beneficence of our Great High Priest, whose outstretched arm is ever ready to uphold the family of the universe, we are again permitted to assemble in this ancient city, and within these consecrated walls of the Tabernacle of the Most High we have gathered around our altar; have offered up our devotions to the Great Jehovah; have given thanks for all His loving kindness to us and to all men; have implored His aid to guide us in the deliberations of the hour and for all future time; and now, my companions, I bid you welcome, thrice welcome, to the Ninety-fourth Annual Convocation of this Grand Body.

"We have left our homes and our firesides where many a loving heart is beating in unison with ours, and whose supplications are being offered up not only for our safe return, but that the present healthful condition and the future of our ancient and honorable institution may receive the blessing of Him who doeth all things well."

He pays a graceful tribute to the memory of those who had been called to pass the outer veils during the year, and also makes appropriate mention of the distinguished dead of other jurisdictions.

On the subject of visitations, he says:—

"In connection with the subject of visitation, I desire to call the attention of the companions to the fact that this very important matter is sadly neglected. My experience as an officer of this body is that, as a rule, the most prosperous Chapters are those which are in the habit of receiving occasional visits from a Grand Officer. I am sorry to be compelled to say that some consider that their duties commence with, and end with their elevation to office."

He compliments the Grand Secretary on his method of conducting the business of his office, and expresses the hope that "his life may long be spared to serve this Grand Chapter in the position he has so long and honorably filled."

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows a balance in the treasury of \$3,119.53.

The Report on Correspondence is signed by GEORGE J. GARDNER, Chairman; JESSE B. ANTHONY and GEORGE WHITFIELD BROWN, JR. The opening of the report of the committee is so good that we offer no apology for giving it almost entire:—

"As the family circle enlarges, the duties of this committee must necessarily increase, and their labors become more onerous. It already demands time, patience, perseverance and constant study to review the acts of a confederacy so large and constantly growing. The many volumes of Proceedings submitted, range from fifty to three hundred pages each. All these require a careful examination, and each subject treated has to be traced from its inception through the hands of committees until a finality of action is reached, in order that an intelligent synopsis can be presented to the reader. And yet, after a careful winnowing—after striking out all verbosity and narrowing it to the smallest compass to preserve sense—there are those, who, perhaps, think we are too prolix. It is no easy matter to condense from seven to eight thousand pages of matter into a compass of say, two hundred. Not a sentence is incorporated into our report that we think ought to be spared, or that any intelligent reader would desire eliminated. On the contrary, there are many omitted which we would be glad to include, for we know they would be appreciated by the intelligent reader and thoughtful student.

"We have been urged by several of our co-laborers in the reportorial field, to express our views more fully, or rather to act the part of a critic or censor over the acts of the different bodies coming under our observation. We have not deemed ourselves at liberty to do so. Ours, we consider a mere perfunctory duty. We are simply a committee, as we understand it, to collate the acts and doings of sister bodies; to analyze, digest, and select from much irrelevant matter, that which is of most interest and which will be instructive to the Craft generally; to record important official acts established as precedents, either local or general, of the executive or of the body itself; to cull here and there a beautiful flower of rhetoric, or like the honey bee, to extract the sweets from many a charming bit of eloquence often "born to blush unseen"; occasionally to lay a chaplet upon the graves of the fraternal dead; in short, to present that to the reader which shall be a focus of information brought from many distant lands.

"Is it not arrogance for a simple committee, possessing no official functions, to set up its *ipse dixit* as against the combined wisdom of the respective Grand Bodies, the acts of which they (the committee) are authorized only to skeletonize, to condense, to solidify? We have no relish for the *argumentum ad hominem* in which some of our co-reporters indulge. When a decision has been rendered by an executive officer, possessing power to adjudicate upon mooted questions, after a thorough investigation of the matter and consultation with and examination of standard authorities, and the result has been referred to a Committee on Juris-

prudence, selected for their well known ability and usually from among those who have passed the highest official chair, and their report has been endorsed by the Grand Body itself, are such decisions or acts open to criticism by a non-official body even for an expression? We wot not. We know that for this "new departure" we shall open up an issue with the old war horses of some of the correspondence committees, who have kept their swords whetted and their pens filled with gall, who are always restless unless embroiled in controversy, but as General JACKSON said, in the old United States Bank warfare, "We take the responsibility." We feel at all times the liberty to express our views, where practices differ, as they do sometimes, in various jurisdictions, and to point out those differences, but we shall avoid argument on the subject, for we are in duty bound to respect action as established by local authority, until modified or annulled by a higher power. We might ask ourselves, *curi bono?* Why engage in a controversy of a non-authoritative character and the result of which cannot possibly be in the least beneficial? It would prove a war of words, only.

"With these considerations, we submit the result of our labors, trusting that all, the neophyte as well as the profound Masonic scholar, will find 'food for reflection' therein."

California for 1890 receives a sixteen-page notice, the Address of Grand High Priest VANDERHURST being liberally quoted from, as is also our report for that year. The committee does us the honor to take our conclusion, almost entire, for theirs, for which we make our bow. There are many things in this excellent report that we would gladly dwell upon, but time's up.

There are one hundred and eighty-five subordinates in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 16,145.

The *M. E.* WILLIAM J. McDONALD was re-elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* CHRISTOPHER G. FOX was re-elected Grand Secretary.

NORTH CAROLINA.

The forty-third Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in Morehead City on the ninth day of June, 1891,—the *M. E.* BENJAMIN F. BRIGGS, Grand High Priest, presiding, the *R. E.* DONALD W. BAIN being Grand Secretary. Ten subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Address of the Grand High Priest is a well prepared paper. He says:—

"With a deep sense of the responsibility devolving upon me, and appreciating the importance of the high trust temporarily committed to my hands, I confidently bespeak your kind forbearance and earnestly solicit your fraternal assistance and co-operation in the discharge of the delicate duties imposed upon me as your presiding officer.

"First of all, companions, I congratulate you on the pleasant and favorable conditions which surround our short visit to this lovely little town by the sea, and while we may not have the magnificent banquet, the grand excursion, log-cabin dinner, the beautiful mountain scenery, and the royal time generally extended us by our Companions of the West, the health-giving breeze, wafted from the sparkling bosom of the ocean, comes to soothe and refresh and woo the weary to peaceful slumber and rest, and the gentle murmur of the rippling waves on the sunlit shore falls like sweetest music softly on the ear. In behalf of the Companions of the East, I am most happy to extend to you of the West, and to all, a cordial greeting and hearty welcome to this popular resort, famous for its generous hospitality, and attractive alike to those in pursuit of pleasure or of health, and I indulge the hope that the interesting and auspicious occasion which calls us together, may be one of the most charming and delightful events in the history of our lives.

"I trust, companions, that the session of our Grand Body may be both pleasant and profitable; that in our councils harmony and fraternal love may reign supreme; that we may be actuated by that fervency and zeal which should characterize and distinguish all Royal Arch Masons; that the light and wisdom which radiate from the Great White Throne in the Heavenly Tabernacle may descend upon our Altar, illuminate our minds, direct us in all our deliberations, and enable us to devise and

enact such measures as shall redound to the honor and good of our noble Order, an institution grand in its conception, beautiful and sublime in its teachings, and glorious in its beneficent purposes and results."

The Grand Treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$78.75.

The Report on Correspondence is again from the pen of Comp. JAMES SOUTHWATE. He reviews in forty-eight pages the proceedings of forty-four Grand Chapters and the General Grand Chapter, California for 1890 being of the number. He states that he had not intended to write a report this year, owing to "low tide" in the treasury, but at the last moment it was decided that the report must be prepared and published. We give his "conclusion" in full, and recommend its careful reading by every companion in the jurisdiction:—

"'What we have written we have written,' and trust some word may have been said which will accomplish good. If we thought our reports would be read thoroughly by our companions of the subordinate Chapters, we would feel amply repaid for the labor expended in writing them. Oh! that you may do this, not to gratify your Reporter, to see what he has done, but to see what is being done in other and more flourishing Grand Jurisdictions, that you may be inspired to greater zeal for knowledge of the Grand Ritual we use, and a more lively interest in each other and our Chapters. Then let the High Priest see to it, after he has read the pamphlet—prepared at so much expense—pass it to others and beg them to read. You will then find the great advantage of these reports of the Royal Craft of the world. We send this forth as 'bread cast upon the waters, which may return after many days.'"

There are eighteen subordinates in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 663.

The Grand High Priest and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

NORTH DAKOTA.

The second Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Fargo on the seventeenth day of June, 1891,—the M. E. LEONARD A. ROSE, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the R. E. THOMAS J. WILDER being Grand Secretary. Seven subordinate Chapters (all in this jurisdiction) were represented.

The Grand High Priest, in his Address, reported that while Death had not even looked toward the roster of the Grand Chapter, he had invaded the circle of two of the subordinate Chapters and taken therefrom two companions.

We quote the following from his conclusion:—

"This Order, my companions, is a sublime one, and its teachings and principles are so exalting that if appropriated and assimilated, they will inevitably raise us to a high standard of intellectual and moral excellence. To whom much is given much shall be required, and in conclusion let me express the sincere desire that our lives may be in such complete harmony with the sublime principles of our Order that when the time is fully ripe we may receive from the General Grand High Priest of Paradise the welcome plaudit, Well done, good and faithful servant, enter into the enjoyment of the Spiritual Temple, not made with hands, eternal in the heavens."

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows a balance on hand of \$168.90.

There is no Report on Correspondence.

There are seven subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 411.

The M. E. FRANCIS INGALLS was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. THOMAS J. WILDER was re-elected Grand Secretary.

NOVA SCOTIA.

The twenty-second Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia (with jurisdiction over the Provinces of Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland) was held in the town of Yarmouth on the ninth day of June, 1891,—the *R. E.* HENRY GRIER, Grand King, presiding, and the *R. E.* GEORGE T. SMITHERS being Grand Secretary.

The acting Grand High Priest delivered a brief but appropriate Address, after which he read the Address of the absent Grand High Priest. It is a well prepared paper, confined principally to matters of local interest. After congratulating the companions upon the prosperity that had attended them during the past year, he announced that but one death had occurred in the jurisdiction, that of Comp. ALEXANDER WADDELL, for many years Secretary of *St. Andrew's* Chapter, No. 2, and in every respect an efficient officer.

He recommended that the Grand Chapter of Arizona be cordially welcomed into the sisterhood of Grand Chapters, and it was so ordered.

We quote the following from the Address as read, and commend it to the careful consideration of Masons of every degree :—

"The end of Masonry is to teach Truth, even that system of divine morality imparted and ordained by the Creator for the government of man, considered in relation to himself, his neighbor and his God. There are only two sources for the uninitiated to obtain anything like even an approximately correct knowledge of Masonry—the one by observing the conduct of Masons; the other through our manuals or other written treatise on Masonry. Hence the importance of Masonic conduct confirming Masonic precept, since by the former will our enemies insist on interpreting the latter. If Masonry inculcated morality, and the end of Masonry is to teach it, and induce obedience to it, then Masons themselves should be moral. I can only convince others of the importance of the truth I embrace by the effect that truth has upon my inward life, and this again can only be determined by my outer life, since the outer is the offspring of the inner, and the former but a reflection of the latter. If I pay a practical regard to any truth I believe, or any principle to which I adhere, I give the strongest possible evidence of my appreciation of it by the obedience I give it, since the strongest test of love is obedience. The man whose conduct habitually conflicts with this theory, and whose life is a standing contradiction of his profession, is a sorry specimen of humanity—a premature edition of his race, without influence or respect. He is so manifestly inconsistent, and so absolutely at variance with himself, that none will believe his profession, or be willing to imitate his example. A man whose belief and practice is a constant antagonism, lacks wisdom to govern himself, and is like a rudderless ship—in danger of being swayed by every sea of expediency, or prematurely wrecked on the coast of change. He forfeits admiration, and secures only pity and disgust."

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows a balance in his hands of \$285 11.

There is no Report on Correspondence.

There are twelve subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, with a total membership of 580, being a net gain of 27 for the year.

The *M. E.* WILLIAM CROWE was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* GEORGE T. SMITHERS was re-elected Grand Secretary.

OHIO.

The seventy-fifth Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Cincinnati on the seventh day of October, 1891,—the *M. E.* JAMES W. IREDELL, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the *R. E.* CHARLES C. KIEFER being Grand Secretary. One hundred and forty-three subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Address of the Grand High Priest exhibits the fact that Ohio has the right man in the right place. The record of his official acts shows that he has neglected no opportunity to promote the welfare and advance the interests of Royal Arch Masonry in that jurisdiction. We quote his opening paragraph :—

"Time, in its rapid flight, has brought us to the close of another year, and it becomes my great privilege and pleasure to extend to you a cordial welcome to this, our seventy-fifth Annual Convocation. We are to be congratulated because we are again permitted to assemble around our sacred altar, to renew pleasant associations and to exchange with one another hearty greetings. As your presiding officer it is my duty to submit for your consideration a report of what has transpired during the year past, but before referring to matters of business, we should acknowledge with grateful hearts the many blessings we have enjoyed and give thanks to Him, in whose hands rests the destiny of all men, that in His infinite wisdom, Death has not been permitted to lay its blighting hand upon those who have been prominent in our Order. Sister jurisdictions have been less fortunate, and to them we extend our sincere sympathy."

He announces the death of Most Excellent Companion HIRAM BASSETT, General Grand Master of the Third Veil of the General Grand Chapter, who died at his home in Millersburg, Kentucky, November 29th, 1890, in the seventieth year of his age, and makes special mention of other distinguished Masons who had died during the year.

He issued nineteen dispensations during the year, all of local application.

He made the following decisions :—

"In a letter dated January 17, 1891, M. E. High Priest J. W. SHAWAN, of Morrow Chapter, No. 143, asks the following questions :

"1st. 'A companion became a member of this Chapter several years ago by affiliation ; some time later he became engaged in the business of retailing liquors in a saloon, and is now in the same business. Is he amenable to discipline in the Chapter?'

"2d. 'In case he should dimit and remain unaffiliated, is he amenable to the Chapter?'

"3d. 'If a companion is found guilty of unmasonic conduct by his Chapter, can a majority vote present expel him?'

"In reply to the first question I decided that in my opinion a companion who is engaged in retailing liquors in a saloon is guilty of unmasonic conduct, and, therefore, subject to the discipline of the Chapter.

"2d. In case a companion should dimit and remain unaffiliated, he is amenable to the Chapter in whose jurisdiction he may reside.

"3d. If your By-Laws do not provide otherwise, a majority vote (by ballot) after due trial, would expel a companion found guilty of unmasonic conduct.

"As it appears that the companion referred to is not only engaged in the saloon business, but he has twice been found guilty and punished under the State law for selling liquor on Sunday, it is my opinion that it is your duty to see that charges are preferred. He is undoubtedly guilty of unmasonic conduct.

"In reply to the question, 'Is a dimit valid only for a certain length of time, or is it good at any time, and can a companion claim membership by means of a dimit carried since 1883? We have such a case here and our High Priest is uncertain what course to pursue. Please advise at your earliest convenience.'

"I decided : The Grand Chapter has fixed no limit of time in which a companion holding a dimit shall petition for membership. The companion referred to may petition for membership in your Chapter, the petition in regular form, to be referred to a committee. If the companion is a nonaffiliated Master Mason he is not eligible for membership.

The Grand Chapters of Arizona and Montana were formally recognized, and an interchange of Representatives solicited.

The Grand Treasurer's report exhibits a cash balance of \$12,147.35.

From the report of the Grand Secretary we learn that 835 members were exalted during the year ; 86 were admitted ; 174 reinstated ; 166 withdrawn ; 157

died; 379 suspended for non-payment of dues; 41 expelled. Showing an increase of 358.

The Committee on Grievance summed up their report in three lines:—

“Your Committee on Grievance beg leave to report that nothing has been brought before them for their consideration, it appearing that in all the limits of this jurisdiction no member of the Royal Craft has any complaint to make.”

This shows a peaceful condition of affairs in Ohio. Long may it continue.

The Report on Correspondence for Ohio was presented by Comp. S. STACKER WILLIAMS, and is a carefully prepared and well written report. It occupies one hundred and seventy-nine pages, and includes forty-four American Grand Chapters, the General Grand Chapter, and seven foreign Grand Bodies. Comp. WILLIAMS states that this is his first report to the Grand Chapter, but we hope it will not be his last, for he writes like a skilled workman. His review of California is courteous and fraternal. He quotes liberally from Comp. DAY's address, and has a good word to say of our report. In his conclusion he says:—

“In closing our report we have but a word to say. It is our first report from this committee to the Grand Chapter. The work has been to us a pleasant one. While we have met some of the correspondents in another field (the Grand Council), we have upon this occasion been brought face to face, as it were, with others whose acquaintance it has afforded us pleasure to make.

“We have given a fair synopsis of the Proceedings of the several jurisdictions reviewed—we have commended some things and criticised others, always, however, in a fraternal spirit.”

There are one hundred and forty-three subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, having a total membership of 11,759.

The M. E. WILLIAM W. SAVAGE was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. CHARLES C. KIEFER was re-elected Grand Secretary.

OREGON.

The thirty-first Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of the State of Oregon was held in the city of Portland on the eighth day of June, 1891,—the M. E. SETH L. POPE, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. R. P. EARBART being Grand Secretary. Twenty-one Chapters were represented.

The Address of the Grand High Priest is brief, and, although his official acts were not numerous, they are clearly stated, and the condition of the Craft is intelligently represented. He reports the condition of the subordinate Chapters as prosperous, and that a sufficient amount of new material had been received and accepted to keep the laborers in the vineyard from rusting, and add zeal and enthusiasm to the meetings. No dispensations had been granted for the opening of new Chapters. Two petitions had been presented, but not complying with the constitutional requirements, were returned to the parties applying.

He had granted two special dispensations; one was granted to *Arago* Chapter to install some of its officers who could not be present on the night of the regular installation; the other, for good and sufficient reasons offered by *Keystone* Chapter, he granted them a special dispensation to receive and act upon a petition without waiting the usual time.

The Grand High Priest had made no decisions. He says:—

“No question has been presented to me during the year requiring official decision, as all were readily answered by referring to our Constitution and standing resolutions; and I would suggest that a careful reading of our published Proceedings and Report of the Committee on Correspondence would render it unnecessary to refer to the Grand Officer so often for decisions.”

Appropriate mention is made of the death of Past Grand High Priest ALBERT W. FERGUSON, one of Oregon's earliest and brightest lights—one who assisted in organizing the Grand Body in 1860, and was chosen its first Grand High Priest.

The Grand Treasurer presented his report, showing a balance on hand of \$1,735.84.

The Report on Correspondence is presented by Comp. R. P. EARBART, and comprises a review of forty Grand Chapters, and occupies one hundred and four pages. In his review of California for 1891 he quotes largely and approvingly from the Address of M. E. Comp. DAY, and speaks a kind word of the writer, which we duly appreciate. Comp. EARBART is a good writer and a candid reviewer, and in most instances his ideas chime with ours. We make one extract from his conclusion:—

"We have finished our work for this year and we congratulate the Royal Craft upon the increase in membership and in the general prosperity of Chapters, wherever Capitular Masonry has an abiding place. The reports of Grand Chapters reviewed, show that the condition of the Royal Craft is more encouraging than at any former period. An increased interest is shown in a larger attendance upon Chapter meetings and in the school or lecture system, by which a knowledge of the work may be obtained. There are some questions that remain open and unsettled, and will no doubt for a long time. Among them is whether a Grand Chapter is subordinate to the General Grand Chapter. Some Chapters have laws which declare that no appeal shall be taken from their Grand Chapters to the General Grand Chapter. They will not come into this circle. Another question is whether non-affiliates can be compelled to affiliate with a Chapter. One thing is certain, no Mason who does not belong to a Lodge should ever become a member of a Chapter.

"We trust the coming year may still increase the interest of companions in the work and membership of Chapter Masonry, and thank our esteemed co-correspondents for courtesies received."

There are twenty-one subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 986.

The M. E. JAY TUTTLE was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. R. P. EARBART was re-elected Grand Secretary.

PENNSYLVANIA.

The Quarterly Convocations of this Grand Chapter were held at the stated periods as usual, and the subordinate Chapters were well represented.

At the Quarterly Convocation held on the eighth day of March, 1890, the Grand High Priest announced, in feeling words, the death of J. FRANK KNIGHT, Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence.

At the Quarterly Convocation held on the fifth day of June, 1890, the Committee on By-Laws presented a report, which was received and adopted.

A Quarterly Convocation was held on September fourth, and also one on December fourth, 1890, at which a large amount of business was transacted.

The Annual Convocation was held in the city of Philadelphia on St. John's Day, December twenty-seventh, 1890,—the M. E. JAMES S. BARBER, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. CHARLES E. MEYER being Grand Secretary. Eighteen Chapters were represented.

A cablegram was received from the Grand Scribe E. of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland, stating that the M. E. Comp. THOMAS R. PATTON had

been appointed Grand Representative of that Grand Chapter to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of *M. E. Comp. CHARLES E. MEYER*, Past Grand High Priest and Grand Secretary.

From the Address of the *M. E. Grand High Priest* we make the following extracts:—

"Through your partiality I have been honored by being chosen as your Grand High Priest for two years past, and now, at the close of my term of office, it is fitting that I should render an account of my stewardship before laying aside the sceptre of office and resigning my station to the companion you have selected to succeed me.

"The days have been chasing each other faster than in the olden time when we were young, and have brought us to the end of another year quicker than our intentions and wishes would have led us.

"Another year with its remembrances of a sweet or bitter past is about closing—sweet by the joys and pleasures we have tasted, sad by the graves of loved companions we have left in the silent place of sepulture.

"We who are here assembled live to bear testimony to the loving kindness of our Father who has permitted us once again in Annual Communication to meet beneath the living arch. To Him as Royal Arch Masons we bow, and reverentially speaking His name, give thanks for the blessings vouchsafed us in the past, and raise our humble supplications for the future.

"How true is the saying, 'Man proposes but God disposes.' Within a few days after my installation one year ago, I was attacked with the prevailing influenza, from the effects of which my physical system received a shock that it required months to recover from, so that I was unable to give the attention to my official duties that I desired, much to my regret."

The Grand High Priest, after giving an account of his official visitations, pays the Grand Officers the following compliment:—

"To the Grand Officers, both elective and appointive, I make my grateful acknowledgments for the faithful support and assistance they have rendered me and the alacrity with which they have responded to the many demands upon their time and attention."

The Grand High Priest made five decisions, from which we select two:—

"When requested to remove the casting of the blackball in a Chapter, I decided it was a matter over which I had no control. I cannot nor can the Grand Chapter interfere with the right of ballot. If the one who uses the blackball unjustly is discovered and known, then he can be held responsible for the same by trial.

"I decided that the loss of a left hand is a disqualification for the Capitular degree."

JAMES WRIGHT ANDERSON was appointed Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania near the Grand Chapter of California. *Comp. ANDERSON* will make a worthy Representative.

After the installation of the Grand Officers-elect, *M. E. ALEXANDER H. MORGAN* delivered an eloquent and appropriate Address, from which we extract the following:—

"At the beginning of the Masonic year, many changes occur in the officials, both in the Grand and subordinate Chapters of this jurisdiction. Those changes are provided for in the Constitution of the Grand Chapter, and in the By-Laws of the subordinate Chapters. The companions who for the past year have directed the operations and executed the laws of the Capitular bodies having completed their term of service, give place to those chosen to succeed them; but it is a change of men, not of principles—a personal movement only, the institution remains the same; the eternal landmarks of the Craft are not disturbed; so that with the Constitution and the ancient usages and customs of Freemasonry to guide him, the new official enters upon the performance of his duties with a well-defined path already traced out for him to follow. True, he may differ from his predecessor

sors in his construction of some of the written laws, or his ideas as to the practical parts of certain ceremonies used in what we call the work of Capitular Masonry; but these are the natural differences with which men regard the same objects, and do not materially affect the government or the organic laws of the institution."

The Address is bedecked with many gems of thought which bespeak the true Mason, the scholar and the gentleman. We would gladly quote further from it, but we have already given Pennsylvania all the time at our command.

The Report on Correspondence is by Comp. M. ARNOLD and STOCKTON BATES. California for 1890 receives a fraternal notice. The report occupies eighty pages, and reviews thirty-five Grand Chapters in a spirit of liberality.

M. E. ALEXANDER H. MORGAN, Grand High Priest; R. E. CHARLES H. MEYER, Grand Secretary.

QUEBEC.

The fourteenth Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Montreal on the twenty-seventh day of January, 1891,—the M. E. DAVID SNEATH, Grand Z. presiding, the R. E. JOSEPH MITCHELL being Grand Scribe E. Ten subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Grand Z. delivered a well prepared Address, in which he clearly sets forth his official acts, and intelligently discusses the various subjects of interest now affecting the welfare of the Grand Chapter. Of the condition of the "Craft at Home," he says:—

"During the year just closed the harmony and fraternal feeling which has always been the characteristic of the members of our subordinate Chapters continues to prevail; no appeals have been made to me, no grievances presented, and no decisions asked for.

"Our membership remains about the same, and although we have added to our roll the names of workmen from the quarries who have come up to assist us in the building of the temple, the deaths and withdrawals have been as numerous."

He reported the granting of six special dispensations; but refused to grant one to *Provost* Chapter to install the officers elect, they not having complied with the constitutional requirements, and for the further reason that the date of the next annual election was near at hand.

The great benefit of official visitation was recognized and its continued practice urged upon his successors in office. The appointment of several Representatives was reported; and we note with pleasure that Comp. WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS, of Sacramento, still represents Quebec near our Grand Chapter. The Grand Chapter decided to commission only such companions as do not represent any other Grand Chapter.

Comp. J. H. GRAHAM has consented to write and compile a "History of Freemasonry" in the Province of Quebec from the earliest times. Judging from his well known literary ability and his standing in the Order, we feel satisfied that his history will be a valuable addition to Masonic literature.

The Grand Treasurer reports a balance of \$589 85 on hand.

The Report on Correspondence is from the pen of Comp. E. F. D. CHAMBERS. He reviews the proceedings of thirty-nine Grand Chapters, together with the General Grand Chapter. California for 1890 is flatteringly noticed, numerous extracts being made from the Grand High Priest's Address. Of our Report of that year he says:—

"By far the most interesting portion of the whole report is that covered by the review of foreign correspondence by Comp. THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL. It is

when we take up such reports as these that we lay aside the pen and derive pleasure and profit from our reading, and that our readers may share to some extent, the literary feast with us, we feel perfectly justified in using the scissors and the paste pot."

We quote the following extract from the preamble to Comp. CHAMBER's interesting report :

"There are fewer matters of disturbing excitement to be discussed at present than for some time back, and this, upon the principle that those nations are happiest that have no history, is a matter for congratulation of the Royal Craft. The companions being free alike from internal dissensions and from unprovoked assaults from without, are enabled to divest themselves entirely of the weapon of defence, and, more happy than those worthy Masons who carried on the building of the second Temple,—may work with both hands, and direct their every effort towards the erection of our moral edifice and the spread of the cement of Brotherly Love.

"To the reviewers of sister Grand Chapters in Canada and the United States, we tender fraternal salutations. Our communion with them in the past has proved profitable as well as pleasant. To many of them we are under a deep debt of gratitude for over generous appreciation of work brought up by us for inspection. The kind consideration and frequent quotation of what we wrote last year upon the question of keeping the members that we make, have far exceeded what we had any right to expect. Our reading and our observation alike confirm us in the belief then expressed, that none but well skilled companions should be installed into office, if we would retain the interest of our membership in the work and business of our Chapters.

"We are also more than ever convinced that the Capitular degrees should be made a pre-requisite, not only for Masonic Knighthood, but also for the so-called higher degrees. In our own jurisdiction, we know that Chapter Masons interested in higher degrees have unwittingly worked serious injury to the Royal Craft by thoughtlessly proposing for membership in the bodies conferring such higher degrees, Master Masons who have not passed through the Royal Arch. Let us not be misunderstood. Both the intermediate and the Royal Arch degrees are much too beautiful and by far too solemn, too impressive and too sublime to be considered or used as mere stepping stones to another Rite or Order."

There are ten chartered Chapters in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 433.

The M. E. DAVID SNEATH was re-elected Grand Z., and the R. E. JOSEPH MITCHELL was re-elected Grand Scribe E.

RHODE ISLAND.

The ninety-third Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Providence on the tenth day of March, 1891,—the M. E. ROBERT S. FRANKLIN, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. WILLIAM R. GREENE being Grand Secretary.

The Grand High Priest begins his Address by congratulating the companions upon the favorable circumstances under which they met. He reports, with evident satisfaction, that he had but few disturbing questions to pass upon, and had not been called upon to render formal judgment in any dispute. He says: "With the exception of granting two dispensations for change in the time of holding meetings, this comprises my official acts during the year." His Address is remarkably short, occupying only a page of the proceedings.

The Grand Treasurer presents a report showing \$3,892.99 on hand.

A vote having been taken on the amendment to the Grand Constitution, offered at the last Annual Convocation, it was declared carried by more than a two-thirds majority of the members present.

The journal proper makes but nine pages of printed matter, and there is really nothing in the proceedings that would be of interest to our readers.

There are ten Chapters in this jurisdiction, with a membership not footed up, and we cannot spare the time to do it.

The *M. E.* GEORGE H. KENYON was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* WILLIAM R. GREENE was re-elected Grand Secretary.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

The eightieth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina was held in the city of Charleston on the tenth day of February, 1891,—the *R. E.* W. H. WITHEROW, Deputy Grand High Priest, presiding, the *R. E.* J. E. BURKE being Grand Secretary. Sixteen subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Deputy Grand High Priest, in opening his Address, referred to the death of the Grand High Priest on the twenty-seventh of November previous, as follows:—

"As we assemble around our altar, in this, the eightieth Annual Convocation, the emblems of mourning which surround us, though mute, speak to us in unmistakable language of the great loss which our Grand Chapter has sustained in the death of our beloved and lamented Companion—Grand High Priest A. DOTT. When we witnessed his installation to this high office, one short year ago, and listened to his words of eloquence as he spoke of his devotion to the grand principles of our Order and pledged his zealous efforts to promote its prosperity, little did any of us anticipate that his eloquent tongue would now 'be silent in the grave.' In the prime of life, prominent in his profession, eminent in Masonry, to all human appearances many years of usefulness lay before him. How forcibly are we reminded that

'God moves in a mysterious way!'

"But though he was so suddenly summoned from his earthly labors, we have the assurance that his immortal spirit has entered within the veil, and 'into the presence of the Supreme Council, to receive the reward "Well done," when "Holiness to the Lord," written on crowns of everlasting rejoicing, fills the heart as a well-spring of perpetual peace."

He concludes his address as follows:—

"Companions: In extending to you a cordial and fraternal welcome to this Annual Convocation, I feel that I am greeting those who have come fresh from the subordinate Chapters, familiar with their condition and their needs, and prepared to legislate wisely for all the interests of Capitular Masonry in this jurisdiction. We have already invoked the aid of the Great I AM to direct us in all our deliberations. Let us, then, devoutly thanking Him for all the blessings vouchsafed to us in the past, address ourselves to the duties which lie before us, in humble reliance upon His assistance, and let 'Holiness to the Lord' be the leading motive in all our actions."

The Report of the Grand Treasurer shows a balance on hand of \$46 76.

The Grand Secretary presents a record of the business of his office for the year, and concludes with the following reference to the Grand High Priest:—

"I trust, in closing, that I may be permitted to add one word in token of the great ability and courtesy with which our distinguished companion, the late Grand High Priest, discharged his duties during the short period of his official life as the head of Capitular Masonry in this State. The circular of our Deputy Grand High Priest, sent through this office, told the sad story of his untimely end. He fell in the midst of his usefulness, covered with honors, but, far above all, with a place in the affections of the Royal Craft and of all the Masons of this jurisdiction which will not easily be supplied."

The next Annual Convocation will be held at Charleston.

There is no Report on Correspondence.

There are seventeen subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 587.

The M. E. W. H. WITHEROW was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. J. E. BURKE was re-elected Grand Secretary.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

The second Annual Convocation was held in the city of Watertown on the eleventh day of June, 1891, the M. E. PARK DAVIS, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. GEORGE A. PETTIGREW being Grand Secretary. Twenty-four subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest, in his Address, says :—

"At the opening of each convocation and in the closing ceremony as well, both in Grand Chapter and in our subordinate bodies, we join hands about our altar and bow ourselves in devotion before Him who is Ruler over all. By this service the religious side of our nature is reached and the spirit of adoration and worship is called into exercise. The thoughts are turned upward to God as our Father, and the chain of joined hands links us together in close companionship. It is the companionship of those engaged in the common duty of devotion and prayer. All, whether otherwise accustomed to bend the knee in adoration, or not, unite in this service.

"Who shall estimate its influence for good upon the lives and characters of our members. Every one, who lays aside all worldly matters and humbles himself, with due veneration, before his Maker, is benefited by the act; and, by uniting with each other in supplication, heart will go out to heart in fraternal regard, and thus will be strengthened the ties of brotherly love. And as the heart is expanded towards our brethren it is also enlarged and broadened toward the whole brotherhood of mankind. Thus is exemplified our broad Masonic Creed—our belief in the universal Fatherhood of God and the universal brotherhood of Man."

He reported that friendly and fraternal recognition had been accorded the Grand Chapter of South Dakota by the other Grand Chapters of the world, and that an interchange of Grand Representatives had been effected.

Two new Chapters had been constituted during the year.

Nine decisions are reported, mostly of a local character.

Under the head of "Necrology," he reports that six companions of the jurisdiction had fallen during the year, and refers in a feeling manner to the fraternal dead of other jurisdictions. He concludes as follows :

"The year just passed has been a peaceful and harmonious one. No complaints of any difficulties or irregularities from any source have reached me. The duties of my office, though requiring frequent attention, have not been very arduous nor in anywise unpleasant.

"I have been ably assisted by our Grand Secretary, who is a prompt and efficient officer, and who has done much to place our Grand Chapter in the most friendly and intimate relations with other Grand Bodies.

"Companions, the business of the session is before us. Let us enter upon and conduct it in that spirit of sincerity and earnestness that becomes those who are engaged in a great and important work."

The Grand Secretary presents a careful resumé of the doings of his office for the year.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows a balance on hand of \$872.61.

There is printed with the proceedings the Constitution of the Grand Chapter, By-Laws for the government of subordinates, a digest of decisions, and various forms, etc.

The Report on Correspondence consists of sixty-seven pages, and is signed by

the full committee—GEORGE A. PETTIGREW, LOUIS G. LEROY, and WILLIAM H. HOLT. California for 1890 receives a liberal notice, the Address of Grand High Priest VANDERHURST being quoted from at length. We give the committee's conclusion:—

"Our report is now finished. In this, our first, we have endeavored to present the most important points of legislation, and to give a faithful and impartial account of the doings and progress of the Craft during the year, as shown by the proceedings reviewed. Our main desire has been to lay before the companions of South Dakota a summary of the work done in sister jurisdictions. To accomplish this end, we have made selections from the Addresses of the several Grand High Priests, and the financial and numerical standing of each Grand Jurisdiction has been given. 'The scissors have been freely used.'

"In closing it affords us great pleasure to state that in our reviewing we find only the best of feeling prevailing throughout all of the jurisdictions."

There are twenty-four subordinates in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 1,200.

The M. E. WILLIAM J. McMAKIN was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. GEORGE A. PETTIGREW was re-elected Grand Secretary.

TENNESSEE.

The sixty-second Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Nashville on Monday, the twenty-sixth day of January, 1891,—the M. E. THOMAS O. MORRIS, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. JOHN FRIZZELL being Grand Secretary. Fifty-two subordinate Chapters out of fifty-nine were represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered a brief but well considered Address, in which he says:—

"Companions—We are again assembled in Annual Convocation to consider the acts of your officers for the past year and to legislate for the good of the Craft. May an all wise Providence guide and direct us in what we do. It affords me much pleasure to report that harmony and peace prevail within our borders, and I take pleasure in reporting that an increased interest in Capitular Masonry has been manifested. No knotted problem of Masonic law has presented itself that required the burning of the midnight oil. On the contrary, my official acts are embraced in official visitations, granting dispensations and issuing commissions. I herewith submit reports of Grand Visitors who have proved themselves most efficient workers for the Craft and have done much toward advancing Capitular Masonry in their respective jurisdictions, and I take pleasure in presenting their recommendations for your consideration."

Four dispensations were issued for the formation of new Chapters, and numerous dispensations to ballot on petitions for degrees, and to elect and install officers.

The Grand High Priest gives an account of his visitations, and speaks encouragingly of the good work accomplished in that State.

Fraternal tribute is paid to the memory of BENJAMIN F. HALLER, who had been Grand Master, Grand High Priest, Past Thrice Illustrious Grand Master, Past Grand Commander, and General Grand Scribe of the General Grand Chapter of the United States.

The Grand Treasurer reports a balance on hand of \$3,601.

The Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence congratulated the Craft upon the uninterrupted harmony and increased interest which have characterized the past Masonic year, and commend the zeal and earnestness exhibited by the Grand Visitors, whose reports accompanied the Address of the Grand High Priest. They very properly recommend that in the future no Chapter shall be named after any living person.

Comp. JOHN FRIZZELL, who has for many years been re-elected Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Tennessee, and who always served his Grand Chapter faithfully and well, asked to be excused from further service, and declined the position.

There is no Report on Correspondence. Surely with over \$3,000 in your treasury you ought to be able to make a report. We distinctly remember when the Reports on Correspondence from Tennessee were a prominent feature of the Masonic literature of the day. FRIZZELL has retired from the Grand Secretaryship, and is still vigorous and active; put him again in reportorial harness, and let Tennessee be heard from once more in the councils of Masonry.

The M. E. ALEXANDER C. ROBESON was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. WILLIAM A. CLENDENING was elected Grand Secretary.

TEXAS.

The forty-second Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Houston on the eighth day of December, 1891,—the M. E. JOHN P. BELL, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. ROBERT BREWSTER being Grand Secretary. One hundred subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Address of the Grand High Priest is admirably prepared and full of interest. He says:—

"Since last we met in Grand Annual Convocation 'Old Father Time' has been moving onward and forward, leaving day after day behind, until at last he has turned into the past another year, which brings us to the Forty-second Grand Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter, where, by the kind providence of the 'Great Architect of the Universe,' we are permitted to once more meet, hail and greet each other as 'Royal Arch Masons,' and to transact such business as may properly come before this Grand Body.

"In our deliberations, companions, may we be directed by the wisdom of the 'Great High Priest of Heaven and Earth'—strive with and among each other as to 'who can best work and best agree.'

"It is my pleasure to report to you the continued prosperity of the Royal Craft in this Grand Jurisdiction. I have visited several Chapters during the year, and it is truly gratifying to note the eagerness with which the companions seek to perfect themselves in the work, and so fervently burns the fire on the 'Altars' of 'Royal Arch' Masonry that I have been called upon in two instances only to grant authority to Chapters to resume labor that had forfeited charters by failure to meet within three months, all of which I think is, in a large measure, due to the interest taken by the delegates who come before the Committee on Work each year to make themselves proficient in our beautiful ritual. Then, companions, let us begin the labors of this Grand Convocation with one object in view, the welfare of the Royal Craft."

He pays fraternal tribute to the memory of Comp. S. J. SIDDALL, a member of the Grand Chapter of Texas. The deaths of several other noted companions are also appropriately noticed.

The Grand High Priest had granted dispensations for three new Chapters during the year. He made a large number of decisions, but being of local application, we refrain from quoting.

He concludes his report by returning thanks to the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary for the many acts of kindness shown him by each of them.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows a balance on hand of \$2,576.79.

The Report on Correspondence is again from the pen of Comp. J. C. KIDD. He reviews, in the space of 78 pages, the proceedings of 43 American and three foreign Grand Chapters. He opens in the following flowery manner:—

"Gather ye rosebuds while ye may,
Old time is still a-flying,
And this same flower, that smiles to-day,
To-morrow will be dying."

"Advice as good to-day as when old HERRICK sang. And so we have wandered during the year through the gardens of our sister jurisdictions, gathering for our own, here a rose, there a lily, 'rosemary for remembrance,' 'pansies for thought;' in it the perfume of the orange and jasmine of the South mingle with the apple blossoms of the North, the 'wild roses of the West' with the 'sage, marjoram and thyme of the old East,' and alas! with them all, the sombre-hued cypress has place. May each of you find pleasure and profit in passing through with us and find cause to remember the 'Feast of Roses.'"

The following is his conclusion :

"Having gathered up all that we thought advisable for this year, we leave it for each companion to draw his own 'conclusion.' Figures tell us that the Royal Craft is steadily increasing in numbers. If all the 'good advice' given by those in authority falls on 'good ground,' then it is also increasing in whatsoever is good in Masonry. As regards this also, each companion is left to not only draw his 'own conclusion,' but to answer for himself why the result is not better than his reason tells him it is.

"The only 'question' now before the Grand Bodies at all, may be said to be the 'Cerneau,' and that cuts so little figure in the case that it is scarcely worthy of being designated 'a question.'

"Comp. MAYO, of Missouri, asks earnestly, why Pennsylvania and the other Grand Jurisdictions outside of the General Grand do not 'come in.' The Grand High Priest of the Indian Territory, in his Address, and the Correspondence Committee of Pennsylvania, ably give good reasons—reasons that seem unanswerable in the lights we have before us.

"Some of our sister jurisdictions are still wrestling with the 'Council degrees,' and some of them will probably be induced to go with the 'General Grand Council.'

"We have made mention as we passed along of the 'bright and shining lights' extinguished during the year. May they shine all the brighter in the 'world beyond.'

"To all we say, one more year, a 'fraternal good-bye.'"

There are one hundred and ten Chapters in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 4,783.

The M. E. JOHN McDONALD was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. ROBERT BREWSTER was re-elected Grand Secretary.

VERMONT.

This Grand Chapter held its seventy-fourth Annual Convocation in the city of Burlington on the twelfth day of June, 1891,—the M. E. EDWIN O. HIBBARD, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. WARREN G. REYNOLDS being Grand Secretary. Twenty-five subordinate Chapters were represented.

In his Address the Grand High Priest announces the death of a number of companions in his jurisdiction, and pays fraternal tributes to their memory. He also gives deserved credit to the eminent Masons of other jurisdictions who had departed this life during the year.

He had granted a dispensation to *Champlain* Chapter to hold a special Convocation for the purpose of conferring the M. M. degree upon several brethren who had been elected to receive the degrees in that Chapter. He had granted a few dispensations to ballot upon petitions for the degrees without waiting the constitutional time. He had made but few official visits to the Chapters, that work being performed chiefly by the District Deputies, who submitted lengthy reports relative thereto.

Vermont extends the fraternal hand of welcome to the Grand Chapter of Arizona and requests an exchange of Representatives.

In conclusion the Grand High Priest says:—

"I am pleased to be able to say that the past year has been prosperous—one of the most prosperous for many years, as the returns from the several Chapters will

show. Our financial condition is most excellent. We are at peace with all our sister jurisdictions and within our own borders, and let us hope that the time may soon come when we can also say that all the Chapters in this jurisdiction are in a healthy and prosperous condition."

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows the sung sum of \$2,963.89 to the credit of this Grand Chapter.

The Report on Correspondence is the work of FREDERICK S. FISHER, who has furnished the reports for Vermont for the past eight years in a kindly and fraternal manner. California for 1890 receives a generous share of his attention. Comp. FISHER having removed from the jurisdiction of Vermont, gracefully makes his bow in the following valedictory :—

"Our task is done; we have passed the veils for the year. And our labors as the Capitular Correspondent of Vermont are also ended. Sad are the separations in this world of parting! We have removed from the jurisdiction of Vermont, and are separated from our companions of the Grand Chapter, but while memory lasts, we shall always recall with pleasure and profit the dignified, cordial assemblies at our Grand Convocations. May peace and prosperity ever be within thy walls! Separated likewise from those with whom we have entered into familiar associations, as we have followed their words and ways so many years. In the East—DRUMMOND, the light of ancient ways. In the West—CASWELL, advocate of the absolute rule of his State over the Craftsmen. In the North—WAIT, clear, calm. In the South—PILLANS, writing of the prosperity of his State.

"Joining these in good will and zeal—BARLOW, ever conservative; INNES, GRAND and RAPIDS; LOVE, building up a vast system of correspondence; BROWN, on his farm; MAYO, at the Masonic Home. Do we leave out any? Not in fraternity,—and never SWAIN, sweet singer of Wisconsin; nor VARNUM, defender of Iowa; PEARSON, too, and LONG; HORNES, who sometimes hits; SCHULTZ; BOWEN; VEHSLAGE, who can not read our name, nor we speak his; SAVERY; ACKLIN and ISAAC and SOUTHGATE, who must not write so much fun and frolic. Companions all, may your work continue many years!

"And from these our thoughts turn and linger on the names and memory of those whose labors were crowned so recently. The signet of death has admitted them to the Rest Eternal.—COTTELL, HARPER, OGDEN, PIERSON, DADNUN! Their works live and they live crowned with peace! In vain have been the labors of the living and the dead, if their words have not lifted the thoughts of their companions higher and to the Highest, in the service of 'Holiness to the Lord.'"

Comp. FISHER is an able writer and has had long experience in reports of this nature, and his reports are always interesting and instructive, and it is with regret that we part company with our genial correspondent. We still hope to hear from him in some other jurisdiction as Chairman on Correspondence.

Vermont had an exceptionally prosperous year, there having been 155 exaltations against 92 last year.

There are twenty-five subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction, with a total membership of 2320.

The M. E. GEORGE WING was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. WARREN G. RETNOLDS was re-elected Grand Secretary.

VIRGINIA.

The eighty-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Virginia was held in the city of Petersburg on the tenth day of November, 1891,—the M. E. J. HOWARD WATT, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. WILLIAM B. ISAACS being Grand Secretary. Nineteen subordinate Chapters were represented.

On the opening of the Grand Chapter Comp. GEORGE PITTS, High Priest of Petersburg Union Chapter, delivered an earnest and cordial address of welcome, which was responded to by the Grand High Priest in suitable terms.

The Grand High Priest, in opening his Address, says :—

"Another year has passed away, and through the beneficence of our Supreme Grand High Priest we are graciously permitted to assemble in this, the eighty-fourth Grand Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Virginia, to render thanks for the many mercies vouchsafed, to seek the assistance of the Most High in our labors, to review the events of the past year, and to look forward with hope to the years to come. And may our deliberations be governed by that love and charity so strikingly exemplified in the life and character of Him whose name we revere and whose precepts we are taught to obey, and to whom we should look for wisdom and guidance on every occasion.

"I congratulate you on the harmony which has prevailed throughout our entire jurisdiction during the year; no discord has arisen among the Craft, and, therefore, my labors have been light and pleasant. All these things give us cause for devout thankfulness, but above them all must arise in the breast of every one an earnest rejoicing that our Heavenly Father has given us health and strength, and warded far away from our Grand Jurisdiction the hand of death. No death has during the Masonic year broken the number of our present or past Grand Officers."

Two charters were granted for the institution of new Chapters.

Several dispensations were granted for various purposes.

After reporting the various decisions rendered by him during the year and expressing his appreciation of the valuable assistance rendered him by the Grand Secretary, he closes his Address as follows:—

"I am pleased to say that the past Masonic year has been a prosperous one— one of the most prosperous for many years, as I think returns from the several Chapters will show. We are at peace with all our sister jurisdictions, and no discord is within our borders. This is cause for profound thankfulness.

"Before closing my report, permit me to return my grateful thanks and acknowledgments for the uniform kindness I have received from all companions, whether during my official visitations to the Chapters or in private intercourse.

"And now, my companions, in returning to you the jewel of office with which you have honored me, I wish and do return to you my grateful thanks for the honor you have conferred upon me. While I may not have added new luster to its brightness, I trust I return it untarnished. The duties of the office have been always most pleasant in making and forming new friendships, which I trust will be permanent and lasting; and though I now lay down this badge of authority, I shall never lose my interest in or cease my labors for the welfare of the Royal Craft in this Grand Jurisdiction."

The Grand Lecturer presented an elaborate report of his work, and says that he has never known as much interest exhibited in Capitular Masonry in this jurisdiction as at present, nor as many who are anxious to perfect themselves in the beautiful ritual.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows a balance on hand and invested of \$1,367.13.

There is no Report on Correspondence.

There are thirty-four subordinates in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 1,801.

The M. E. GEORGE W. WRIGHT was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. WILLIAM B. ISAACS was re-elected Grand Secretary.

WASHINGTON.

The seventh Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Seattle on the twelfth day of June, 1891,—the M. E. WILLIAM V. RINEHART, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. YANCEY C. BLALOCK being Grand Secretary. Twelve subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Address of the Grand High Priest is a well prepared paper, showing a careful attention to the duties of his office, and demonstrating that he had exercised a watchful care over the welfare of the Craft. In opening, he says:—

"At the threshold of our labors it becomes my duty, under the law and immemorial custom, to lay before you a statement of the present condition of the Order and an account of my stewardship as Grand High Priest, in order that you may fully understand the designs upon our trestle-board, and supply the needs of the Craft by wise counsel and such wholesome legislation as your candid judgment may devise.

"Before engaging in this important work, we should return thanks to the Supreme Architect of the Universe for His manifold blessings, 'for He is good, for His mercy endureth forever,' and humbly ask His guidance and protection during our deliberations here and through the pilgrimage of life.

"We have been blessed as a people, and our Order has been specially blessed with prosperity and concord.

"You are gathered here from the grain fields of the East and the hop fields of the West; from the forests and quarries of our new field of Masonic labor; and I welcome you to our city, our homes, our hearts and our hospitality. You come bringing with you the sheaves of your industry, the specimens of your skill. We mark well your coming and sincerely trust your stay among us may be as peaceful as the dews of Hermon that descended upon the mountains of Zion, and that your going forth may command a blessing, even life forevermore."

Under the heading of "Our Fraternal Dead," he refers to the death of WILLIAM RICKARDS, C. H. MERRICK, LOUIS KLEIN, and H. VANDERBORG, and recommends that a suitable mourning page be set apart to their memory.

He reported a number of decisions, mostly of a local nature.

He informed the Grand Chapter that he had appointed Comp. PORTER to deliver an address, and in that connection recommended that the office of Grand Orator be created.

The following is his conclusion :—

"I desire to thank the Grand Officers associated with me for the courtesy and kindness with which they have supported me. To each member of this Grand Body I tender my heartfelt thanks for the favor shown in bestowing this high honor upon me. Fully aware of the responsibility of the position, and mistrusting my own strength, I assumed the duties, relying upon Divine help and the strength born of your confidence. Wherever I have disappointed your expectations I must trust your Masonic charity to cover and conceal the poor human frailty as an error of the head only.

"Since first I stood in the northeast corner of a Lodge as an Entered Apprentice, I have traveled for thirty years the high hills of difficulty and the pleasant valleys of prosperity until my highest aspirations have now been crowned by the sunshine of your favor, and I now resign to you this emblem of authority, content to assume my duties in the humbler ranks of the Craft. The work of the Annual Convocation is before you, and I await your pleasure.

At the beginning of the afternoon session the Grand Orator, NATHAN S. PORTER, delivered an excellent address, from which we extract the following :—

"There is an element of good in all men's lawful pursuits, and a Divine spirit breathing in all their lawful affections emanating from the source of all wisdom, the fountain of all good, the progenitor of all that is lovely, whose very name is Love. This it was that inspired our Grand Masters to build the Holy House and gave them wisdom, wealth, and skill to erect a building the equal of which the world has never seen. It was indeed a temple built for a more secure retreat, where the true disciples might enter into their closets, shut the doors, and there pour out their souls to their Father, who seeth in secret. The groves, the hills, the vales and all the flowery spots of earth were, by the blessing of Him who doeth all things well, made inviting to all. And yet, while

' 'Tis heaven alone that is given away,
'Tis only God can be had for the asking.'

"Alms, to reach the tenderest sympathies of the recipient, must be given without even the knowledge of any save the hand that bestows them. The wise proclaim not their wisdom from the house-tops; the good bestow not their gifts to be seen of men; the pure in heart pray not upon the street corners, to be heard by the rabble, and as 'Each dross has cost its ounce of gold,' so each selfish neighbor paired off with his virtuous friend."

The Grand Secretary presented a report of the business of his office for the term, which shows the past year to have been a prosperous one, and that peace and harmony prevail throughout the jurisdiction. The total amount of work for the year is as follows: exalted, 145; admitted, 51; dimitted, 15; suspended for non-payment of dues, 5; expelled, 1; died, 10.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows a balance of cash on hand of \$1,574.98.

Comp. YANCY C. BLALOCK presents his second Report on Correspondence, and for some unexplained reason California does not appear among the list of proceedings reviewed. We do not like the idea of being overlooked by our sister of the great northwest, and we hope that Comp. B. will rise and explain.

In his opening he thanks the "Guild" for their kind notices of his first effort, and says that while he has "more light" than formerly, he has not acquired sufficient to warrant him in entering into any discussion; and in his "Conclusion," says that most of his work was done while in the grip of "La Grippe," and hopes to do better in the future.

There are fifteen subordinate Chapters, with a membership of 747.

The M. E. JACOB H. BELLINGER was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. YANCY C. BLALOCK was re-elected Grand Secretary.

WEST VIRGINIA.

The twenty-first Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the city of Martinsburg on the ninth day of November, 1891,—the M. E. ALEX. MASON EVANS, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the R. E. JOHN W. MORRIS being Grand Secretary. Seventeen subordinate Chapters were represented.

The Address of the Grand High Priest is brief and confined principally to matters of local interest. In opening he says:—

"We welcome you to this our twenty-first Annual Convocation and bring to you the joyful tidings that the God of peace has dwelt with us and blessed us with his benign influences during the entire year that has gone since we last met. And as the representatives of Capitular Masonry in this jurisdiction we are again assembled in annual convocation to review and pass upon what has been done in the past year, to take counsel together for the welfare and prosperity of our beloved Order, to renew and strengthen the friendships of the past, and, as we hope, to gain new friends for the future."

And closes as follows:—

"And now, companions, in yielding the authority vested in me and surrendering the office conferred, permit me to express my appreciation and thanks to the officers and members of the Grand Chapter for their aid and assistance given in the discharge of my official duties, and it is my sincere wish that your deliberations may be blessed with peace and harmony, that the interests of Capitular Masonry may be advanced, and that health, prosperity and happiness may attend you in the future."

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows a balance on hand of \$928.95.

The Grand Secretary presented a report of the transactions of his office for the year, and says:—

"In conclusion I would also state that it will be impossible for me to again accept the position of Grand Secretary. The demands of my profession have been so exacting as to render it quite impossible for me to give to the business of the Grand Chapter that attention which it ought to have, and I am unwilling to longer occupy an office the duties of which I can not perform to my own satisfaction. Sincerely thanking my companions for the great favor and forbearance they have shown towards me, I humbly beg leave to lay down the pen."

The following was unanimously adopted :—

“Resolved, That the Grand Chapter of West Virginia hereby authorizes the officers composing the Grand Council to take such steps as are necessary to effect the admission of this Grand Chapter as a constituent of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, provided that such admission to and membership in the General Grand Chapter shall not alter or abridge the power now exercised by this Grand Chapter over the ritual used and degrees conferred under authority of this Grand Chapter.”

There is no Report on Correspondence.

The Constitution, laws and regulations, edicts, decisions and installation ceremonies are published with the proceedings.

There are nineteen subordinates in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 890.

The *M. E.* BRAXTON D. GIBSON was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* ODEL S. LONG was elected Grand Secretary.

WISCONSIN.

The forty-first Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Wisconsin was held in the city of Milwaukee on the seventeenth day of February, 1891,—the *M. E.* ROOK J. FLINT, Grand High Priest, presiding, the *R. E.* JOHN W. LAFLIN being Grand Secretary.

The Address of the Grand High Priest is a well prepared and business-like paper. He congratulates the companions upon the favorable auspices under which they meet, and says :—

“The record of the year that is past is one of peace and prosperity. The labor of the husbandman has been rewarded with increase from flock and field. Forest and mine have yielded their wealth in goodly measure. The busy hum of industry in mill and shops and factory falls upon the ear like a ‘concord of sweet sounds.’ Our halls of learning are thronged with earnest students striving with eager minds to gather the rich rewards that come to those who seek after knowledge. Through the marts of trade and traffic smoothly flows the golden stream of commerce to enrich and vitalize the varied elements that enter into the complex life of a free, intelligent and happy people. Thus do we find most cheering signs of advancement and progress in every department of human activity. Truly may we exclaim with the psalmist, ‘The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places.’”

Much of the correspondence of the Grand High Priest referring to questions that had been decided in years past, he recommended that the Grand Secretary be authorized to compile and publish in the annual proceedings from year to year, the decisions made and confirmed in previous years.

Under the caption of “Obituary,” he announces that more than three score of the companions had obeyed the mandate of the Grim Messenger and passed the mystic veil that conceals from mortal vision the boundless realms of eternity. Among the names were those of two venerable companions who had filled the position of Grand High Priest a generation ago—*M. E.* Comp. JOHN H. ROUNTREE and *M. E.* Comp. DANIEL HOWELL.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows a balance on hand of \$1,678.38.

The Grand Lecturer reported that he had visited thirty-one out of the thirty-three Chapters assigned to him, and he found them all in a healthy condition, and from year to year advancing in numbers and prosperity.

The Report on Correspondence is again from the pen of Comp. WILLIAM C. SWAIN, and is equal to any that have preceded it. The report occupies one hundred and one pages of the Appendix, and contains a review of forty-five Grand Chapters, including the General Grand Chapter. Here is his salutatory :—

"We present our eighth Annual Report. We have done the best we know how, and we ask no indulgence. If it suits we shall rejoice. If anyone says he will read it, we will religiously believe him, and will agree to ask no questions later, to ascertain if he knows anything about it. We know there are good things in it, because we have had men of learning and ability to furnish them."

California for 1890 receives more than its share of attention, our report of the year being freely quoted from.

There are sixty-five Chapters in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 4,584.

The *M. E.* HORACE E. MANN was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R.* JOHN W. LAFLIN was re-elected Grand Secretary.

CONCLUSION.

We now conclude our annual Report on Correspondence. Owing to continued ill health during the year we had given up all hope of writing a report until within three weeks of the meeting of the Grand Chapter, when we decided that the Proceedings of the Grand Chapter of California should contain a Report on Correspondence, even though it were the last we should ever write. Our Companions of the Guild will readily appreciate our position, knowing full well that it was impossible in that short time to do justice to a Report. Hence the absence of comment by us; for we think it is very well known that we are in the habit of talking back at the "other fellow," if we think that he has crossed the Masonic line or departed from the Landmarks.

We have been quite fortunate in receiving the proceedings of all the Grand Chapters in the United States, forty-five in number, together with Canada, Quebec and Nova Scotia.

From all quarters come the good tidings that the Royal Craft is prosperous and increasing in numbers as year succeedeth year, which awakens hope for a still more prosperous future.

And now, to one and all we bid a fraternal adieu. To our kindly confreres of the quill who have spoken kind words in praise of our Reports, we return our sincere thanks, and bid to all an affectionate farewell.

All which is respectfully submitted by

THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL,

For the Committee.

Which report was ordered to be printed with the proceedings of this Grand Convocation.

The Grand High Priest announced the following regular committees:—

On New Chapters:

Comp. David Pugh Marshall,
" John McMurry,
" Robert Fleming Rooney,
" Albert Moore Knapp,
" James Walker.

On By-Laws:

Comp. Ellison Lassell Crawford,
" William Whittingham Lyman,
" Marcus Dystheka Goheen,
" James Milton Mannon,
" John William McFadyen,

On Returns:

Comp. Thomas Flint, Jr.,
" Henry A Keller,
" William Henry Davis,
" James Martin Rodgers,
" Charles E Stone.

On Grievances:

Comp. Adolphus Hewel,
" William Brockman,
" Joseph Bailey Cooke,
" Lewis Cass Wittenmyer,
" Henry Ascroft.

On Pay of Delegates :

Comp. Theodore Edward Smith,
" Edward Kiel,
" William Frank Pierce,
" Ralph Lowe,
" George Huntington Burnham.

By the unanimous vote of the Grand Chapter, the Grand Lecturer was requested to exemplify the work in the degree of Mark Master, this afternoon at two o'clock.

On motion of Comp. WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE, it was ordered that the election of Grand Officers for the ensuing year be held immediately after the conclusion of the exemplification of work this afternoon.

The Grand Chapter was then called off until two o'clock this afternoon.

In Grand Chapter.

AFTERNOON SESSION,
Tuesday, April 19th, A. I. 2422. }

The Grand Chapter was called on at two o'clock, the Grand High Priest presiding.

This being the hour specified for the exemplification of the work in the Mark Master's degree, at the request of the Grand High Priest, the Grand Lecturer assumed the East, and having appointed his assistants from the High Priests of the various subordinate Chapters present, exemplified the work in that degree in a manner greatly satisfactory, as well as beneficial, to the members of the Grand Chapter.

The Grand High Priest having resumed his station, announced that the election of Grand Officers was the next business in order.

Whereupon Comp. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, from the Special Committee on the Address of the Grand High Priest and the Report of the Grand Secretary, moved that the election be postponed for the purpose of receiving the reports of that committee. Which motion prevailed, and

Comp. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, from such special committee, presented the following reports :—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California:—

Your Grand High Priest has remarked in his address that "the laws heretofore established have been so just and their administration so harmonious as to leave you but little to do except to review the acts of your officers and make suggestions as experience and thoughtfulness may indicate."

We congratulate the Grand Chapter on their arrival at this happy consummation, and offer as an established truism the saying that in communities where the least legislation is needed, there the greatest happiness prevails.

The Grand High Priest impresses us, however, that although he has had but little to do in an official way by the exercise of his executive functions, he has given much thought to the duties of his office, and his excellent address is teeming with good and wholesome advice relating to the practical application of the many excellent professions of Royal Arch Masonry.

We recommend that the acts of the Grand High Priest in regard to the Constitution of *Orange Chapter*, No. 73, be referred to the Committee on New Chapters.

The amendment of the By-Laws of *San Francisco Chapter*, No. 1, regarding their expressed wish to constitute a life membership, to the Committee on By-Laws.

And to the Committee on Jurisprudence the several dispensations reported to ballot on petitions for degrees in less than the usual time, to elect officers, for the reduction of fees and dues, changing time of meeting and location, changing fee for affiliation, and also the action of the Grand High Priest in appointing a Representative near the Grand Chapter of Arizona, and his approval of the bonds of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer.

Your committee fully approve the recommendation of the M. E. Grand High Priest in regard to the exemplification of the work at each annual session, believing that the time cannot be more profitably employed, and our wish to voice the unanimous sentiment of the Grand Chapter by returning our hearty thanks to our M. E. Companions of Massachusetts, the M. E. J. ALBERT BLAKE, Grand High Priest, and the R. E. SERANUS BOWEN, Grand Secretary, for the courtesies extended our M. E. Grand High Priest during his recent sojourn among them.

We trust the harmonious relations with our Companions of Massachusetts may always be preserved, and that some day it may be our pleasant privilege to return the appreciated compliment.

WM. A. DAVIES,
J. H. NEFF,
WM. VANDERHURST, } Committee.

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California:—

We have examined the report of the Grand Secretary, and find it, as usual, a creditable statement of the business of the Grand Chapter for the past year.

The matters requiring our special attention are, first, the case of Comp. JOHN C. CRIGLER, late a member of *Lakeport Chapter*, No. 54. As a member of that body, through unavoidable circumstances, he was made answerable for the sins of that body, and lost his Masonic standing as a Royal Arch Mason. We know Comp. JOHN C. CRIGLER as a reputable citizen and a faithful Royal Arch Mason, and take pleasure in offering the following resolution and recommending its adoption:—

Resolved, That Comp. JOHN C. CRIGLER, late a member of *Lakeport Chapter*, No. 54, suspended by means of the arrest of the charter of that Chapter, be and he

is hereby restored to all his rights and privileges as a Royal Arch Mason, and the Grand Secretary is hereby authorized to issue to him the usual and necessary certificate, upon the payment of any dues owing by him to said *Lakeport* Chapter at the time of the arrest of the said charter.

In regard to *Lafayette* Chapter, No. 24, and *Alturas* Chapter, No. 34, the matter is a grave one and concerns the preservation or extinction of these old landmarks of our Royal Arch jurisdiction. This action should not be taken hastily. It cannot be properly considered within the time allotted your committee during any one session. And after consideration we recommend that all matters connected with the causes of the decline of these bodies, with any means that may be deemed advisable and proper to be used to preserve them, be referred to the Grand High Priest and the Grand Council elect, with full power to act in the premises.

In accordance with the recommendation of the Grand Secretary, we recommend the reference of the matters concerning *Oliver* Chapter, No. 23, to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. A. DAVIES,
J. H. NEFF,
WM. VANDERHURST, } Committee.

Which reports were concurred in, the recommendations adopted, and the resolution accompanying the second report was adopted.

The regular order—election of Grand Officers—was now taken up, and the Grand High Priest having appointed Companions EDWARD COLEMAN and DAVID PUGH MARSHALL to act as tellers, the election proceeded, with the following result:—

The M. E. WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS was elected Grand High Priest;
The R. E. CHARLES RAY GRITMAN was elected Deputy Grand High Priest;
The R. E. ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD was elected Grand King;
The R. E. ADOLPHUS HEWEL was elected Grand Scribe;
The R. E. HIRAM THROOP GRAVES was elected Grand Treasurer;
The K. E. THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL was elected Grand Secretary.

Comp. THOMAS FLINT, JR., from the Committee on Returns, presented the following report:—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California:—

Your Committee on Returns of the Subordinate Chapters beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and find that the returns from all Chapters had been received by the Grand Secretary, accompanied by the dues in each case, and were correctly and neatly prepared.

The amount of dues for which the several Chapters of the jurisdiction were indebted, are as follows:

NAME	Gen. Fund.	Rep. Fund.	Total.
<i>San Francisco</i> , No. 1,.....	\$101 75	\$203 50	\$305 25
<i>Sonora</i> , " 2,.....	10 00	20 00	30 00
<i>Sacramento</i> , " 3,.....	68 00	132 00	198 00
<i>California</i> , " 5,.....	124 75	249 50	374 25
<i>Nevada</i> , " 6,.....	14 25	28 50	42 75
<i>Benicia</i> , " 7,.....	5 75	11 50	17 25
<i>Shasta</i> , " 9,.....	14 25	28 50	42 75

NAME.		Gen. Fund.	Rep. Fund.	Total.
<i>Sutter,</i>	No. 11,.....	\$ 11 00	\$ 22 00	\$ 33 00
<i>Merced,</i>	" 12,.....	11 00	22 00	33 00
<i>Washington,</i>	" 13,.....	30 50	61 00	91 50
<i>Howard,</i>	" 14,.....	32 25	64 50	96 75
<i>Cyrus,</i>	" 15,.....	16 00	32 00	48 00
<i>Saint James,</i>	" 16,.....	9 25	18 50	27 75
<i>Libanus,</i>	" 17,.....	6 25	12 50	18 75
<i>Grass Valley,</i>	" 18,.....	19 75	39 50	59 25
<i>Trinity,</i>	" 19,.....	7 25	14 50	21 75
<i>Franklin,</i>	" 20,.....	17 25	34 50	51 75
<i>Sierra,</i>	" 21,.....	8 25	16 50	24 75
<i>Petaluma.</i>	" 22,.....	16 50	33 00	49 50
<i>La Fayette,</i>	" 24,.....	3 75	7 50	11 25
<i>Georgetown,</i>	" 25,.....	5 25	10 50	15 75
<i>Della,</i>	" 27,.....	8 50	17 00	25 50
<i>Stockton,</i>	" 28,.....	25 50	51 00	76 50
<i>Manzanita,</i>	" 29,.....	12 25	24 50	36 75
<i>Napa,</i>	" 30,.....	10 00	20 00	30 00
<i>Martinez,</i>	" 31,.....	11 50	23 00	34 50
<i>Los Angeles,</i>	" 33,.....	17 75	35 50	53 25
<i>Alturas,</i>	" 34,.....	5 00	10 00	15 00
<i>Naval,</i>	" 35,.....	21 75	43 50	65 25
<i>Oakland,</i>	" 36,.....	58 25	116 50	174 75
<i>Siloam,</i>	" 37,.....	8 25	16 50	24 75
<i>Santa Cruz,</i>	" 38,.....	10 25	20 50	30 75
<i>Donner,</i>	" 39,.....	10 00	20 00	30 00
<i>Red Bluff,</i>	" 40,.....	19 00	38 00	57 00
<i>Temple,</i>	" 41,.....	9 75	19 50	29 25
<i>Chico,</i>	" 42,.....	19 00	38 00	57 00
<i>Solano,</i>	" 43,.....	14 75	29 50	44 25
<i>Visalia,</i>	" 44,.....	14 75	29 50	44 25
<i>Santa Rosa,</i>	" 45,.....	29 50	59 00	88 50
<i>Woodland,</i>	" 46,.....	12 00	24 00	36 00
<i>Lassen,</i>	" 47,.....	14 00	28 00	42 00
<i>Dixon,</i>	" 48,.....	15 00	30 00	45 00
<i>Modesto,</i>	" 49,.....	12 00	24 00	36 00
<i>Ventura,</i>	" 50,.....	11 50	23 00	34 50
<i>Corinthian,</i>	" 51,.....	11 00	22 00	33 00
<i>Humboldt,</i>	" 52,.....	25 75	51 50	77 25
<i>Ukiah,</i>	" 53,.....	21 25	42 50	63 75
<i>Keystone,</i>	" 56,.....	9 50	19 00	28 50
<i>Signet,</i>	" 57,.....	59 75	119 50	179 25
<i>Sakinas,</i>	" 59,.....	19 75	39 50	59 25
<i>Colusa,</i>	" 60,.....	8 25	16 50	24 75
<i>San Diego,</i>	" 61,.....	21 75	43 50	65 25
<i>San Luis</i>	" 62,.....	20 00	40 00	60 00
<i>St. Helena,</i>	" 63,.....	8 00	16 00	24 00
<i>Acacia,</i>	" 64,.....	5 00	10 00	15 00
<i>Antioch,</i>	" 65,.....	5 50	11 00	16 50
<i>Doric,</i>	" 66,.....	10 25	20 50	30 75
<i>Riverside,</i>	" 67,.....	14 75	29 50	44 25
<i>Hollister,</i>	" 68,.....	6 25	12 50	18 75

NAME		Gen. Fund.	Rep. Fund.	Total.
Trigo,	No. 69,	\$ 19 25	\$ 38 50	\$ 57 75
Alameda,	" 70,	12 50	25 00	37 50
Tulare,	" 71,	9 75	19 50	29 25
Crown,	" 72,	14 00	28 00	42 00
Orange,	" 73,	8 00	16 00	24 00
Making a total of		\$1211 50	\$2423 00	\$3634 50
Add amounts received for names not reported last year, ..				3 00
Makes total receipts for dues of chartered Chapters,				\$3637 50

All which is respectfully submitted.

THOMAS FLINT, JR.,
HENRY A KELLER,
J. M. RODGERS,
CHARLES E. STONE, } Committee.

Which report was concurred in.

On motion of Comp. JACOB HART NEFF, the exemplification of the work in the Royal Arch Degree was made the special order for two o'clock to-morrow afternoon—and that immediately thereafter the Grand Officers, elect and appointed, be installed.

Comp. EDWARD COLEMAN presented the following preamble and resolution, which on his motion, were referred to the Committee on Finances, with instructions to report thereon at ten o'clock to-morrow morning:—

WHEREAS, The Grand Master of Masons of this State, by virtue of authority vested in him at the last Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, appointed a Board of Directors whose duty it is to formulate a plan for the formation of a Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home, and to adopt such means as would seem best calculated to secure the assistance and co-operation of all members of the fraternity who feel an interest in the establishment and support of a home, where aid and assistance can be rendered to those having Masonic claims upon us; and,

WHEREAS, This Grand Chapter, recognizing the claims this movement has upon it as the Grand Body of Royal Arch Masons, do most heartily approve of the action had in the premises, and recommend it to the favorable consideration of the subordinate Chapters, and all Royal Arch Masons throughout the State; and further, be it

Resolved, That the sum of \$5,000.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated by the Grand Chapter, to aid in the establishment and support of the said Widows' and Orphans' Home, now being formed under the auspices of the Grand Lodge; and that the Grand Secretary be instructed to draw his warrant on the Grand Treasurer in payment thereof, in installments or otherwise, as the money may be needed.

On motion of Comp. JACOB HART NEFF, the resolution relative to the payment of Delegates, as adopted at the last Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter, was made General Regulation No. 24.

The Grand Chapter was then called off until to-morrow morning at ten o'clock.

In Grand Chapter.

MORNING SESSION,
Wednesday, April 20th, A. I. 2422. }

The Grand Chapter was called on at ten o'clock, the Grand High Priest presiding.

After music by the choir, the minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Grand Secretary presented the credentials of Comp. MILTON HILLS MYRICK, as Representative of the Grand Chapter of North Dakota, and of WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS, as Representative of the Grand Chapter of Quebec, near the Grand Chapter of California; and

On motion of Comp. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, the companions named were received and accredited as such Representatives.

Comp. RALPH LOWE, from the Committee on the Pay of Delegates, presented the following report:—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California:—

Your committee, to whom was referred the apportionment of the Representative Fund, having performed that duty, would recommend that the following amounts be allowed to the delegates of Chapters who were in attendance on the first day of the Convocation:—

Name and Number of Chapter.	No.	Dues to Rep. Fund.	When Represented.	Am't Allowed.
San Francisco,	1.....	\$203 50....Paid.....	1st day.....	\$6 00
Sonora,	" 2.....	20 00....Paid.....	"	21 40
Sacramento,	" 3.....	132 00....Paid.....	"	11 00
California,	" 5.....	249 50....Paid.....	"	6 00
Nevada,	" 6.....	28 50....Paid.....	"	20 60
Benicia,	" 7.....	11 50....Paid.....	.....	.....
Shasta,	" 9.....	28 50 ....Paid.....	1st day.....	22 10
Sutter,	" 11.....	22 00....Paid.....	"	17 00
Merced,	" 12.....	22 00....Paid.....	"	14 50
Washington,	" 13.....	61 00....Paid.....	"	14 20
Howard,	" 14.....	64 50....Paid.....	"	8 50
Cyrus,	" 15.....	32 00....Paid.....	"	31 00
St. James,	" 16.....	18 50....Paid.....	"	17 80
Libanus,	" 17.....	12 50....Paid.....	.....	.....
Grass Valley,	" 18.....	39 50....Paid.....	1st day.....	18 60
Trinity,	" 19.....	14 50....Paid.....	"	33 10
Franklin,	" 20.....	34 50 ....Paid.....	"	17 20
Sierra,	" 21.....	16 50....Paid.....	"	33 00
Petaluma,	" 22.....	33 00....Paid.....	"	8 00
La Fayette,	" 24.....	7 50....Paid.....	.....	.....
Georgetown,	" 25.....	10 50....Paid.....	1st day.....	.....

Name and Number of Chapter.	No.	Dues to Rep. Fund.	When Represented.	Am't Allowed.
<i>Delta,</i>	27.....	\$ 17 00....Paid.....	1st day	\$ 13 20
<i>Stockton,</i>	28.....	51 00....Paid.....	"	11 00
<i>Manzanita,</i>	29.....	24 50....Paid.....	"	21 50
<i>Napa,</i>	30.....	20 00....Paid.....	"	9 00
<i>Martinez,</i>	31.....	23 00....Paid.....	"	8 00
<i>Los Angeles,</i>	33.....	36 50....Paid.....	"	36 00
<i>Alhuras,</i>	34.....	10 00....Paid.....	.....	.....
<i>Naval,</i>	35.....	43 50....Paid.....	1st day	8 00
<i>Oakland,</i>	36.....	116 50....Paid.....	"	6 00
<i>Siloam,</i>	37.....	16 50....Paid.....	"	15 10
<i>Santa Cruz,</i>	38.....	20 50....Paid.....	"	11 60
<i>Donner,</i>	39.....	20 00....Paid.....	"	21 60
<i>Red Bluff,</i>	40.....	38 00....Paid.....	"	18 00
<i>Temple,</i>	41.....	19 50....Paid.....	"	11 60
<i>Ohio,</i>	42.....	38 00....Paid.....	"	16 80
<i>Solano,</i>	43.....	29 50....Paid.....	"	9 00
<i>Visalia,</i>	44.....	29 50....Paid.....	"	20 80
<i>Santa Rosa,</i>	45.....	59 00....Paid.....	"	9 00
<i>Woodland,</i>	46.....	24 00....Paid.....	.....	.....
<i>Lassen,</i>	47.....	28 00....Paid.....	1st day	38 00
<i>Dixon,</i>	48.....	30 00....Paid.....	"	10 20
<i>Modesto,</i>	49.....	24 00....Paid.....	"	12 20
<i>Ventura,</i>	50.....	23 00....Paid.....	"	36 00
<i>Corinthian,</i>	51.....	22 00....Paid.....	"	36 00
<i>Humboldt,</i>	52.....	51 50....Paid.....	"	26 00
<i>Ukiah,</i>	53.....	42 50....Paid.....	"	16 00
<i>Keystone,</i>	56.....	19 00....Paid.....	"	39 50
<i>Signet,</i>	57.....	119 50....Paid.....	"	36 00
<i>Saknas,</i>	59.....	39 50....Paid.....	"	12 50
<i>Obusa,</i>	60.....	16 50....Paid.....	"	16 40
<i>San Diego,</i>	61.....	48 50....Paid.....	"	46 00
<i>San Luis,</i>	62.....	40 00....Paid.....	"	20 00
<i>St. Helena,</i>	63.....	16 00....Paid.....	"	10 10
<i>Acacia,</i>	64.....	10 00....Paid.....	"	43 00
<i>Antioch,</i>	65.....	11 00....Paid.....	"	9 00
<i>Doric,</i>	66.....	20 50....Paid.....	"	8 50
<i>Riverside,</i>	67.....	29 50....Paid.....	"	39 50
<i>Hollister,</i>	68.....	12 50....Paid.....	" .....	.....
<i>Trigo,</i>	69.....	38 50....Paid.....	"	17 80
<i>Alameda,</i>	70.....	25 00....Paid.....	.....	.....
<i>Tulare,</i>	71.....	19 50....Paid.....	1st day	20 50
<i>Crown,</i>	72.....	28 00....Paid.....	"	36 50
<i>Orange,</i>	73.....	16 00....Paid.....	"	38 10
\$2423 00				\$1113 30

We also recommend that the following amounts be allowed to the Grand Officers in attendance, viz : to the—

Grand High Priest,.....	\$ 6 00	Grand Treasurer,.....	\$6 00
Deputy Grand High Priest,.....	11 00	Grand Chaplain,.....	6 00
Grand King,.....	9 00	Grand Captain of the Host,.....	12 20
Grand Scribe,.....	21 80	Grand Royal Arch Captain,.....	11 30
			\$83 30

Also to—

Chairman of Finance Committee,...	\$14 30	Isaac Philanson Kincaid,.....	\$ 9 00
William Monroe Petrie,	14 00	Charles Edwin Gillette,.....	9 00
Ianthis Jerome Rolfe,.....	22 60		\$68 90

RECAPITULATION :

Amount allowed Grand Officers,.....	\$ 83 30
Amount allowed to Delegates,.....	1113 30
Amount allowed to members of the Finance Committee,.....	68 90

Total amount of allowance,.....\$1265 50

All which is respectfully submitted.

THEODORE EDWARD SMITH,
WILLIAM FRANK PIERCE,
GEORGE HUNTINGTON BURNHAM, } Committee.
RALPH LOWE.

Which report was concurred in, and the several amounts were ordered paid as recommended.

Comp. THOMAS FLINT, JR., from the Committee on Finances, to whom had been referred the resolution appropriating the sum of five thousand dollars in aid of the "Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home," presented the following report :—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California :—

Your Committee on Finances, to whom was referred a resolution appropriating the sum of five thousand dollars to aid in the establishment and support of the "Widows' and Orphans' Home," beg leave to report as follows :—

That while we are in hearty sympathy with the object of the resolution, and believe that in no way could our Masonic charity be more fitly dispensed, yet we are compelled to report to the Grand Chapter that there is not now in the hands of the Grand Treasurer sufficient funds to warrant the appropriation of any large amount for any purpose. The amount of cash on hand as per report of the Grand Treasurer is \$5,817.79, which would seem to indicate that there was an actual surplus of a considerable amount. But it must be remembered that the expenses of this Grand Chapter for the coming year, amounting to \$4,444 00, must be paid from the funds now in the Grand Treasury, thus leaving at the end of the year an actual surplus of \$1,373.79.

Again, this Grand Chapter has recently subscribed for 100 shares of the "Masonic Temple Association" stock, upon which an assessment of 10 per cent. or \$200 has been paid, leaving a balance of \$1,800 yet to be paid. While it is not supposed that this balance will be called in the immediate future, yet the financial affairs of this Grand Chapter should be so conducted that at all times we can meet our obligations. It is the opinion of your committee, therefore, that we cannot at this time recommend the appropriation asked for by this resolution, nor do we know of any source of revenue from which any appropriation can be drawn unless by the hypothecation of a portion of the stock of the "Masonic Hall Association" now held by this Grand Chapter. Your committee, however, do not feel authorized to recommend such action, but prefer to leave the consideration of that matter to the Grand Chapter for its action.

All which is respectfully submitted.

THOS. FLINT, JR., } Committee.
I. J. ROLFE,
WM. M. PETRIE, }

The consideration of which report was postponed until action could be taken on the following resolution presented by Comp. EDWARD COLEMAN, viz :—

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by the Grand Chapter April 15, 1890—as printed on page 562 of the proceedings of that year—relative to the investment of the surplus funds in the treasury of the Grand Chapter, be amended by striking out the words, "*or which may hereafter come into*;" so that when amended, the resolution will read as follows :—

"*Resolved*, That the Grand High Priest, the Deputy Grand High Priest, the Grand Treasurer, and the Grand Secretary, be authorized to invest any of the surplus funds which are now in the treasury of the Grand Chapter, in the stock of the 'Masonic Temple Association.'"

Which resolution and the proposed amendment were adopted.

The consideration of the report of the Committee on Finances as above submitted, was now proceeded with, and on motion the same was placed on file.

The preamble and resolution as originally presented by Comp. EDWARD COLEMAN was then considered, and after a full discussion thereof, was unanimously adopted.

Comp. THOMAS FLINT, JR., from the Committee on Finances, presented the following reports :—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California :—

Your Committee on Finances, to whom was referred, at the Convocation of 1891, the question of the indebtedness of the late *Oliver* Chapter, No. 23, beg leave to report that after carefully considering the matter we recommend that the action of said *Oliver* Chapter, No. 23, in transferring its property to *Rising Star* Lodge, No. 83, F. & A. M., in consideration of the payment by said Lodge of the indebtedness of the Chapter, be approved.

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California :—

Your Committee on Finances beg leave to recommend the following appropriations for the ensuing year, viz :—

Expenses of Delegates to Convocation of 1892,.....	\$1,113 30
" " Grand Officers " " 	83 30
" " Finance Committee " " 	68 90
Salary of Grand Secretary,.....	1,800 00
" " Organist,.....	25 00
" " Grand Guard,.....	25 00
Printing and binding proceedings for 1892,.....	700 00
Contingent expenses of Grand Secretary,.....	200 00
Rent of Grand Secretary's office,.....	180 00
Expenses of Grand High Priest in visiting subordinate Chapters,....	200 00
Dues to General Grand Chapter,.....	48 50
Total.....	\$4,444 00

All which is respectfully submitted.

THOS. FLINT, JR., }
I. J. ROLFE, } Committee.
WM. M. PETRIE, }

Which reports were concurred in, the recommendation relative to *Oliver* Chapter, No. 23, was adopted, and the appropriations were ordered as recommended.

Comp. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, from the Committee on Jurisprudence, presented the following report :—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California :—

Your committee have examined the papers submitted upon which is based the official acts of the Grand High Priest in the performance of his various duties, and find that in the appointments made by him, the issuance of the several dispensations reported by him, and in all his executive acts he has been in strict accord with the law of the Grand Chapter, and we recommend the approval thereof.

In the matter of *Oliver* Chapter, No. 23, located at Forest Hill, Placer County. We find that some three years since this Chapter became afflicted with the incurable disease of endeavoring to sustain an existence in the absence of material from which to obtain occasional new blood for infusion into its famishing organization, and having, after the failure of repeated attempts to relieve their moribund condition, concluded to surrender their charter, desire relief from this Grand Chapter to enable them to honorably close up their affairs as herein set forth.

This Chapter, during its struggles for continued existence, borrowed, in order to enable them to retain their interest in the hall jointly occupied by them, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars. *Rising Star* Lodge, No. 83, F. & A. M., is willing to assume the payment of this indebtedness of the Chapter upon the consideration of the transfer of the Chapter's interest in the hall to them, and *Oliver* Chapter asks of the Grand Chapter permission to thus acquit themselves of their indebtedness prior to the surrender of their charter.

Your committee have investigated the circumstances of the indebtedness and the situation of *Oliver* Chapter, and offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption :

Resolved, That *Oliver* Chapter, No. 23, located at Forest Hill, Placer County, have permission to transfer their interest in the hall jointly occupied by them with *Rising Star* Lodge, No. 83, upon the payment by said Lodge of the indebtedness of *Oliver* Chapter, and that upon the conclusion of said transfer and the payment of the indebtedness mentioned, the surrender of the charter of *Oliver* Chapter, No. 23, be accepted, and the said Chapter be declared extinct, and the Grand Secretary is authorized to issue to the members thereof the necessary certificates upon the payment to him of any dues that may be owing to said *Oliver* Chapter by them at the time of the surrender of its charter.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. ABRAHAM DAVIES, } Committee.
JACOB HART NEFF,

Which report was concurred in, and the resolution accompanying it was adopted.

Comp. WILLIAM FRANK PIERCE submitted the following, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, viz:—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California :—

General Regulation No. 21, after specifying what bodies of Masonry are recognized as legitimate and genuine, provides as follows:—

"It is hereby declared that any Royal Arch Mason who shall hereafter take or receive any so-called Masonic degree or order of Knighthood from any man or body of men not hereinbefore acknowledged to be legitimate and genuine, shall be liable to be expelled from all the rights and privileges of a Royal Arch Mason.

"It is hereby further declared that any Royal Arch Mason who shall hereafter confer, communicate or sell, or be present at or assist in the conferring, communicating or selling, or solicit any one to take, receive or apply for any so-called Masonic degree or order of Knighthood, in any assemblage of men, no matter by what name soever it may be called, except it be held under the authority of one of the bodies hereinbefore acknowledged to be legitimate and genuine, shall be expelled from all the rights and privileges of a Royal Arch Mason."

Therefore, it is the duty of the High Priest of a Chapter, subordinate to this Grand Chapter, upon absolute proof that a member of his Chapter is violating this regulation, to suspend or expel him.

Comp. ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD, from the Committee on By-Laws, presented the following report:—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California:—

Your Committee on By-Laws, having considered the matters referred to it, beg leave to report as follows:—

Amendments to By-Laws of Chapters have been made by the several Chapters, as follows:—

1. *Sonora* Chapter, No. 2, reducing fees for degrees.
2. *Nevada* Chapter, No. 6, changing night of meeting.
3. *Benicia* Chapter, No. 7, changing night of meeting.
4. *Sierra* Chapter, No. 21, reducing fees for degrees.
5. *Georgetown* Chapter, No. 25, reducing fees for degrees.
6. *Stockton* Chapter, No. 28, abolishing affiliation fee.
7. *Napa* Chapter, No. 30, reducing monthly dues.
8. *Los Angeles* Chapter, No. 33, reducing monthly dues.
9. *Oakland* Chapter, No. 36, reducing monthly dues.
10. *Oakland* Chapter, No. 36, increasing fees for degrees.
11. *Siloam* Chapter, No. 37, reducing fees for degrees.
12. *Temple* Chapter, No. 41, reducing fees for degrees.
13. *Chico* Chapter, No. 42, reducing fees for degrees.
14. *Chico* Chapter, No. 42, reducing fee for affiliation.
15. *Solano* Chapter, No. 43, reducing monthly dues.
16. *Lassen* Chapter, No. 47, adopting uniform code.
17. *Dixon* Chapter, No. 48, reducing fees for degrees.
18. *Ventura* Chapter, No. 50, reducing fees for degrees.
19. *Ventura* Chapter, No. 50, reducing monthly dues.
20. *Keystone* Chapter, No. 56, changing night of meeting.
21. *Antioch* Chapter, No. 65, reducing fees for degrees.
22. *Crown* Chapter, No. 72, abolishing affiliation fee.
23. *Orange* Chapter, No. 73, reducing fees for degrees.
24. *Orange* Chapter, No. 73, changing night of meeting.

All of the foregoing amendments being within the province of the several Chapters, and conflicting with no law or provision of the Constitution of the Grand Chapter, and having been approved by M. E. Grand High Priest, we recommend that his action be affirmed.

San Francisco Chapter, No. 1, presents the following amendment to its By-Laws:—

Amendment to Article VI, Sec. 5:—

“Any member of this Chapter who has paid into its treasury twenty years’ dues, shall, in consideration thereof, be entitled to, and receive a certificate of life membership.”

This amendment was reported by the *M. E.* Grand High Priest without recommendation. Your committee have carefully considered the same, and report as follows:—

While there can be no question as to the powers of the Chapters to make such amendment, we believe it to be bad policy. The creating of privileged classes in the Chapters, would have a tendency to create confusion among the members if the principle was extended to all Chapters; many of them would have but few members to pay dues. While a Chapter may have funds to-day to justify life membership, we know not what the future may be, and should a Chapter, from any cause, become embarrassed in its financial affairs, those who were compelled to pay the expenses would find them so burdensome that as a result would withdraw, and the Chapter have to surrender its charter.

Your committee, therefore, recommend that the proposed amendment be not approved.

ELLISON L. CRAWFORD,	} Committee.
W. W. LYMAN,	
J. M. MANNON,	
M. D. GOSHIN,	

Which report was concurred in.

The Grand Chapter was then called off until two o'clock this afternoon.

In Grand Chapter.

AFTERNOON SESSION,
Wednesday, April 20th, A. I. 2422. }

The Grand Chapter was called on at two o'clock, the Grand High Priest presiding.

The hour for the special order—the exemplification of the work in the Royal Arch Degree—having arrived, the Grand Lecturer, by invitation of the Grand High Priest, assumed the East, and having appointed his assistants from among the members present, exemplified the work in a most impressive manner, and to the satisfaction of the delegates of the Grand Chapter.

On motion of Comp. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE the Grand Secretary was requested to prepare a circular, and forward the same to the subordinate Chapters of this State, urging them to co-operate in establishing the "Masons' Widows and Orphans Home," by contributing of their funds liberally towards the successful establishment of such "Home."

Comp. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, from the Committee on Jurisprudence, presented the following report:—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California:

Companion PIERCE asks a question concerning the obligations of the High Priest of a Chapter having knowledge of the violation of one of the General Regulations of this Grand Chapter, and having special reference to General Regulation 21.

Your committee regret that a question of so much importance should have been deferred until the closing hours of the session, as it involves, possibly, the Masonic standing of companions with whom we would be at peace; but recognizing fully the vital importance of the subject of Masonic loyalty and obedience, we reply to the question, only regretting the limited time at our disposal in discussing a question of such great importance to the Royal Arch family of California, individually and collectively.

It is declared in General Regulation, No. 21, "that any Royal Arch Mason who shall hereafter take or receive any so-called Masonic degree or order of knighthood from any man or body of men not hereinbefore acknowledged to be legitimate or genuine, shall be liable to be expelled from all the rights and privileges of a Royal Arch Mason.

"It is further declared that any Royal Arch Mason who shall hereafter confer, communicate, or sell, or be present at, or assist in the conferring, communicating, or selling, or solicit anyone to take, receive or apply for any so-called Masonic degree or order of knighthood in any assemblage of men, no matter by what name soever it may be called, except it be held under the authority of one of the bodies hereinbefore acknowledged to be legitimate and genuine, shall be expelled from all the rights and privileges of a Royal Arch Mason."

Paragraph 2, of the Regulation, defines the words legitimate and genuine by naming the Grand Lodges of the several States and Territories, the General Grand Chapter of the United States, and the organizations of Royal Arch Masons in the several States and Territories, with the Councils of Royal and Select Masters of the same jurisdictions, the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar and the Grand Commanderies of the several States and Territories, with the Supreme Councils of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the Northern Jurisdiction, of which HENRY L. PALMER is Grand Commander, and the Southern Jurisdiction of the same rite, of which the late General ALBERT PIKE was Grand Commander.

By this definition it follows that any other pretended organization is without legal support, and is in violation of the Masonic comity existing between the genuine and legitimate Grand Masonic bodies of the world.

The question of Comp. PIERCE reads as follows: "Is it the duty of a High Priest of a constituent Chapter of this jurisdiction, upon receiving absolute proof that a companion is violating the requirements of General Regulation No. 21, to suspend or expel him?"

Our answer is that General Regulation 21 is susceptible of but one construction. The High Priest, as the executive head of his Chapter, is especially charged with the care of its interests, and especially of its loyalty and integrity, and in the observance of his installation vows is responsible to this Grand Chapter for the faithful discharge of his duty. And it follows that should the High Priest of a Chapter under the jurisdiction of this Grand Chapter become possessed of information of the violation of any one of the General Regulations, it would be his duty to prove such knowledge by causing the necessary charges to be preferred, that the Royal Arch Masons accused should have the opportunity of vindicating themselves from such grave charges. The matter could be determined by proceedings had in accordance with the provisions of Article 24 of the Constitution.

Fraternally submitted.

WM. A. DAVIES, }
JACOB H. NEFF, } *Committee.*

Which report was unanimously concurred in.

The Grand High Priest elect announced the following appointments for the ensuing year, viz:—

Grand Chaplain,	Comp. ALFRED THOMAS PERKINS, ... of Alameda,	No. 70;
Grand Lecturer,	" THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL, ... of Nevada,	No. 6;
Grand Capt. of the Host, ..	" THOMAS FLINT, SR., ... of Hollister,	No. 68;
Grand Royal Arch Capt., ..	" WILLIAM FRANK PIERCE, ... of Oakland,	No. 36;
Grand Organist,	" SAMUEL DAVID MAYER, ... of California,	No. 5;
Grand Guard,	" JAMES OGLESBY, ... of California,	No. 5.

The Grand Officers, elected and appointed, were then regularly installed in their respective stations by the *M. E.* THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL, Past Grand High Priest, assisted by the *M. E.* FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, Past Grand High Priest, as Master of the Ceremonies.

On motion of Comp. WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE, *M. E.* MILTON HILLS MYRICK was requested to sit for his portrait, and the Grand Secretary was instructed to have it placed in the portrait gallery of the Grand Chapter.

The Grand High Priest announced the appointment of the following Standing Committees for the ensuing year:—

<i>On Jurisprudence :</i>	<i>On Finances :</i>
Comp. William Abraham Davies,	Comp. Thomas Flint, Jr.,
" Jacob Hart Neff,	" William Monroe Petrie,
" Henry Hay Knapp,	" Ianthis Jerome Rolfe,
" Nathan Weston Spaulding,	" Isaac Philanson Kincaid,
" Milton Hills Myrick.	" Lewis Cass Wittenmyer.

On Correspondence :

Comp. Charles Edwin Gillett,
" Franklin Henry Day,
" Trowbridge Hyer Ward,
" Joseph Bailey Cooke,
" Florin Leslie Jones.

The business of the Grand Chapter being all completed, the minutes of the day were read and approved, and the Grand Chapter of California was closed in *Temple form*.

WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS,

Grand High Priest.

ATTNEY:

THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL,

Grand Secretary.

In Memoriam.



San Francisco Chapter, No. 1.

Comp. Edward Wellington Blaney, P. H. P.

August 10, 1891.



Benicia Chapter, No. 7.

Comp. George Poor, P. H. P.

May 20, 1891.



Merced Chapter, No. 12.

Comp. Samuel Claghorn Bates, P. H. P.

June 1, 1891.



Washington Chapter, No. 13.

Comp. William Lee Lawrence, P. H. P.

August 3, 1891.

Comp. Edmund Taylor Wilkins, P. H. P.

February 10, 1891.

In Memoriam.



Libanus Chapter, No. 17.

Comp. William Clinton Rich, P. H. P.

March 6, 1891.



Georgetown Chapter, No. 25.

Comp. Henry Warren Russell, P. H. P.

November 2, 1891.



Donner Chapter, No. 39.

Comp. Elle Ellen, P. H. P.

May 1, 1891.



Solano Chapter, No. 43.

Comp. Joseph Fairbanks Wendell, P. H. P.

February 17, 1891.



Signet Chapter, No. 57.

Comp. Leander Clement Goodwin, P. H. P.

November 17, 1891.

GENERAL REGULATIONS

OF THE

Grand Chapter of California.

1. The degree of Past Master must be conferred upon all candidates, notwithstanding that they may have previously had a degree of that name conferred upon them in a Convocation of Past Masters, by virtue of an election to preside over a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons.

2. All the Chapters under this jurisdiction are required, in the conferring of degrees, to conform to the ritual adopted by the Grand Chapter, at its special Convocation, in September, 1855.

3. Every Mark Master attached to a Chapter under this jurisdiction must, within six months after his admission, select his mark and record the same in a Book of Marks, kept by the Chapter for that purpose; and it is made the special duty of the Secretary of each Chapter to see that this regulation is complied with.

4. The term "nearest Chapter," used in the Constitution, means the nearest by geographical measurement.

5. No Masonic communication shall be held with a Royal Arch Mason who stands suspended as a Master Mason, for any cause.

6. Each Chapter under this jurisdiction shall pay, in addition to its annual dues, the sum of fifty cents for each Royal Arch Mason borne upon its roll at the date of its annual report; which additional assessment shall be used as a fund to defray the actual expenses of transportation of one delegate from each Chapter represented at the Annual Convocations of the Grand Chapter—the same to be apportioned by a special committee appointed for that purpose.

7. Whenever two or more Chapters exist in any city or town within this jurisdiction, it shall be the duty of each of such Chapters to notify the other or others, existing in the same place, of all applications presented to it for the degrees.

8. When, after an election of an applicant to receive the Chapter degrees, and he has received the Mark degree, an objection to his advancement is made at any time by a member, such objection shall be referred to a committee, with power to inquire into the cause thereof, who shall, at the next stated meeting, (unless further time be given) report thereon; and upon the reception of said report, if no cause for the objection has been assigned, or if the cause assigned be, in the opinion of two-thirds of the members present, not a valid and Masonic one, the Chapter may confer the degree in the same manner as if no objection had been made.

9. No petition for the degrees, or application for membership, shall be received by any Chapter within this jurisdiction, unless it be signed with the full name or names of the petitioner or applicant; and in the annual reports of subordinate Chapters, the given name or names of every member or others upon their rolls, shall be given in full.

10. The provisions of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of the State of California shall be, in all essential respects, where there is no conflict between it and the Constitution of this Grand Chapter, the rules and regulations by which the action of the subordinate Chapters of this jurisdiction shall be governed.

11. That the use of substitutes shall not be permitted for purposes of rapid advancement, or for accommodation merely, but only when the Council of the Chapter, in the exercise of a sound discretion, shall be satisfied that the good of Royal Arch Masonry will be promoted thereby.

12. That the use of more than one substitute at a time is prohibited, unless the dispensation of the Grand High Priest, permitting such use, be first procured; and dispensation to be issued only for good cause shown, and upon a petition signed by a majority of the Council of the Chapter asking such dispensation.

13. The list of physical qualifications to be required of a candidate for the degrees conferred by a Royal Arch Chapter under this jurisdiction, shall be, simply, that he be enabled to conform strictly to all which the ritual in those degrees makes necessary.

14. That the restoration to good standing by a Lodge of any companion who has been suspended by it for any cause, and where no action has been had in the case directly by the Chapter, restores him to good standing in the Chapter.

15. From and after the first day of September, 1874, no High Priest of a Chapter under this jurisdiction shall be installed, unless he shall present to the installing officer a certificate from the Grand Lecturer, or some companion known by the Grand Lecturer to be skilled in the work, that he is qualified to properly confer all the Chapter degrees and deliver the lectures thereunto appertaining; and the installing officer shall forward such certificate to the Grand Secretary.

16. That there is no power vested in the Grand High Priest to grant a dispensation to re-ballot on the application of a rejected candidate, that matter being wholly within the province of the Chapter in which he was rejected. (See Sec. 1, Art. XVII, of the Constitution.)

The following is the course of procedure recommended:—

First. That notice in writing be given in stated meeting that the petition of the rejected applicant would be presented at the next regular meeting of the Chapter.

Second. Upon the reading of such notice, the High Priest shall direct the Secretary to notify each and every member of the Chapter of such intended application, and request his presence to vote upon the consideration of the same.

Third. At such subsequent meeting, on a motion formally made to re-submit the petition, if the vote be *unanimous* in favor thereof, the petition can be again received and referred, the same as if no previous action had been taken.

17. That the Chapters subordinate to the jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of California, be directed to require of all visitors for examination from other jurisdictions, prior to admission, a declaration in the following words: "I do not stand suspended or expelled for any cause whatever; neither has my name been stricken from the roll of members for non-payment of dues in my Lodge of Master Masons, or my Chapter of Royal Arch Masons."

18. That it shall be the imperative duty of every Chapter in this jurisdiction, before it shall confer the Royal Arch degree upon any candidate, to require of said candidate a compliance with Regulation No. 3, relative to the selection and recording of his mark.

19. That no Chapter under dispensation in this jurisdiction shall receive a charter unless all the requirements of this Grand Chapter shall have been complied with and such Chapter is free from debt.

20. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of every Chapter in this jurisdiction to report to the Grand Secretary of this Grand Chapter, immediately, all rejections, suspensions, exclusions, expulsions and restorations that may take place in their several Chapters; and it is hereby made the duty of the Grand Secretary to report to the several Chapters of the jurisdiction, every six months, all such rejections, suspensions, exclusions, expulsions and restorations so reported to him.

21. This Grand Chapter acknowledges no degree of Masonry or order of Knighthood to be legitimate and genuine except those conferred by, or under the authority of, the following regularly constituted Masonic bodies of the United States of America, and those of corresponding rank in foreign countries, to wit:

The Grand Lodges of Free and Accepted Masons of the several States and Territories; the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the United States, and the Grand Chapters of Royal Arch Masons of the States and Territories; the General Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the United States, and the Grand Councils of Royal and Select Masters of the States and Territories; the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States and the Grand Commanderies of the States and Territories; the Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States, of which ALBERT PIKE is Grand Commander; and the Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Jurisdiction of the United States, of which HENRY L. PALMER is Grand Commander.

It is hereby declared that any Royal Arch Mason who shall hereafter take or receive any so-called Masonic degree or order of Knighthood from any man or body of men not hereinbefore acknowledged to be legitimate and genuine, shall be liable to be expelled from all the rights and privileges of a Royal Arch Mason.

It is hereby further declared that any Royal Arch Mason who shall hereafter confer, communicate or sell, or be present at or assist in the conferring, communicating or selling, or solicit any one to take, receive or apply for any so-called Masonic degree or order of Knighthood, in any assemblage of men, no matter by what name soever it may be called, except it be held under the authority of one of the bodies hereinbefore acknowledged to be legitimate and genuine, shall be expelled from all the rights and privileges of a Royal Arch Mason.

22. It shall be the duty of every Royal Arch Mason to be a member of some Chapter; and every non-affiliated Royal Arch Mason who, having resided six months within this State, shall neglect to make application for membership to some Chapter therein, shall be deemed to occupy the same position as those suspended for non-payment of dues, and shall not be entitled to, nor be the recipient of, any of the rights, privileges or benefits of Capitular Masonry.

Non-affiliated Royal Arch Masons who occupy the position referred to in the preceding section, and who desire to restore themselves by affiliation, may do so upon payment of a sum equivalent to six months' dues of the Chapter to which they shall apply, in addition to the affiliation fee, if any, required by its by-laws.

23. That the M. E. Grand High Priest withhold his approval from all amendments to By-Laws of Chapters, unless the certificate shows that the amendment had received a two-thirds vote of the members present; that notice of such amendment had been given at the meeting preceding that on which the vote was taken; said certificate to be signed by the Secretary and authenticated by the seal of the Chapter.

24. That at all future Convocations of this Grand Chapter, no member thereof shall receive his per diem and transportation expenses from the Representative Fund until such Convocation shall have been regularly closed.

RULES OF ORDER

OF THE

Grand Chapter of California.

RULE 1. When the Grand Chapter shall have assembled, the Grand Secretary shall call the roll of its members, and if a sufficient number of Chapters are represented, the Grand Chapter shall be opened. The Grand High Priest shall then appoint a Committee on Credentials, and no further business shall be transacted until after its report shall have been received.

RULE 2. After the reception of the Report on Credentials, the proceedings of the preceding Convocation shall be read by the Grand Secretary, unless their reading be dispensed with; the Address of the Grand High Priest, and the reports of the Deputy Grand High Priest, Grand Secretary, and Grand Treasurer, shall be presented, and appropriately referred, in the order here named; and the Grand High Priest shall appoint the regular committees, to whom all papers then in the hands of the Grand Secretary, requiring such reference, shall be at once referred. The Committee on Correspondence shall then present its annual report.

RULE 3. After the business of the Convocation is thus begun, the regular order for each session, during its continuance, shall be as follows:

1. Reading of the minutes of the last session.
2. Report of the Committee on Credentials.
3. Reception and action upon, or reference of, petitions, memorials and appeals.
4. Reports of Regular and Special Committees, and action thereupon.
5. Motions, resolutions, and other business.

RULE 4. All reports submitted, all petitions, memorials, or appeals presented, and all orders, motions, or resolutions, shall be in writing, and shall be read by the Grand Secretary, before any action is taken thereupon.

RULE 5. No motion to reconsider shall be entertained, unless made during the same session when the question proposed to be reconsidered was decided, nor unless such motion be made by one who voted with the majority upon that question.

RULE 6. When a day and hour shall have been named for the election of Grand Officers, such election shall, at that time, take precedence of all other business, unless the Grand Chapter, by a two-thirds vote, shall otherwise direct.

RULE 7. These rules shall only be suspended by unanimous consent, but may at any time be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

RETURNS

OF THE

SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS

UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE

GRAND CHAPTER of CALIFORNIA

A. I. 2422.

SAN FRANCISCO CHAPTER, No. 1.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first and third Mondays in each month.

OFFICERS:

William Henry Davis, <i>High Priest</i> ,	William Edmund Price, <i>Pr. Sojourner</i> ,
Charles James King, <i>King</i> ,	Ludwig Mathias Hoesler, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
David Charles Smith, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Francis Marion Loane, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Benjamin Harris, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	James Francis Logan, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Henry Gilman Prince, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Hugo Oscar Greenhood, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
George Thomas Shaw, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	Edward Gilberts, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Louis Cohn,	Samuel Sternheim,	James Wright Anderson,
Martin John Burke,	Henry Wangenheim,	Thomas Kingsbury Wilson,
John Rudolph Jarboe,	Edward Taylor Anthony,	Moubray Robert Dundas,
Milton Hills Myrick,	Isaac Philanson Kincaid,	Milton Sidney Eisner,
Stewart Menzies,	James Waterman Baldwin,	William Harvey Edwards.
Theodore Edward Smith,	Charles Albert Warren,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Adams, Adolph	Aschheim, Israel Julius	Bennett, George Wash'ton
Allen, George Preston	Backus, Samuel Woolsey	Bennett, James Henry
Allen, Isaac Patton	Bamburger, Sigmund Simon	Bergson, Ole
Allenberg, Charles	Bangs, Edward	Berton, Flavien
Altshuler, Levi	Barr, Milton Homer	Bingham, Henry Walker
Andrews, Abram	Bass, Thomas Jefferson	Blumenberg, Samuel Purdy
Antisell, Wm. Christopher	Bassett, Charles Fallen	Boettcher, Paul
Armer, Andrew Milton	Baum, Simon	Boole, George
Armstrong, Rudolph	Bauman, Sigmund	Bowman, John Schmerl
Arnold, Cyrus Mills	Bayle, John	Boyd, Colin Macnicol

Bradbury, Wm. Blackstone	Cutting, John Tyler	Gallagher, Edward M
Brandenstein, Meyer	Daneri, Antonio	Gallagher, John Patrick
Brandt, Frederick John	Daniel, John	Garratt, James Hylan
Brandt, Louis	Daniels, William Lyon	Gets, Bernhard
Browell, Jeremiah	Darling, George Louis	Gets, Joseph
Brown, Andrew	Davis, Charles Lott	Gets, Louis
Brown, David Palmer	Davis, Henry Laurens	Gets, Marcus
Brown, George Watson	Davis, John Warner	Gets, Solomon
Brown, James Henry	Day, Robert	Gibeon, Frederick Herbert
Browne, Thomas Henry	Dinkelspiel, Joseph Samuel	Gilmore, John Henry
Brunt, Walter Neat	Deuprey, Eugene Nelson	Goldberg, Jacob
Bryan, Charles Henry	Deveny, Peter	Goldstein, Simon
Bull, Franklin Pettingill	Dimond, William Henry	Gordon, James Edward
Bullman, John Henry	Doane, John Osbourne	Goyette, Joseph
Bunker, Henry Chase	Doane, Micah	Graham, Irvine
Buras, Henry Jameson	Doolittle, Jefferson Ely	Graham, William Finley
Cahen, Solomon	Dore, Benjamin	Grant, John Thomas
Callundau, Fred'k Patterson	Douglas, George Willard	Green, Adam Treadwell
Cameron, John William	Dow, Cyrus Clinton	Halstead, William Augustus
Campe, Harry Magnes	Downs, John	Hamilton, Robert
Carlson, Edward	Dragomanovich, Spiro S & G	Harpst, John
Carrick, James Ross	Drucker, August	Harris, Elias
Cartan, Francis Matthew	Dunn, John	Harris, Thomas Spencer
Casassa, Charles Henry	Dunne, James Patrick	Hart, Marcus
Chambers, Harry Laudon	Dusenberry, Louis	Hartley, John Davis
Chase, Charles Metaphor	Edelman, Charles	Hayes, George Walford
Christansen, Andrew	Edwards, Edward	Hesseltine, Benjamin Loring
Christensen, Martin Aug. C.	Edwards, Henry	Hiester, Amos Calvin
Christiansen, Ernst Wm. C.	Edwards, James Wash'ton	Herspring, Joseph
Clark, George Dickson	Einstein, Morris	Herso, John
Classen, Adolph Fred. Anton	Eisenberg, Isidor	Hewson, James
Classen, Frederick Harry	Elfelt, Joseph	Heyman, Gustavus
Clawson, Leonard Edwin	Ellis, Benjamin Franklin	Heyneman, Herman
Clement, Joseph	Emerson, John Augustus	Hillman, John Reuben
Clingman, George Evans	English, Leland Garrison	Hoagland, William Cox
Cluff, William	Eppinger, Jacob	Hollab, Samuel Simon
Clunie, Thomas Jefferson	Esberg, Mendel	Hooper, William Burchell
Coblentz, Felix	Ewen, Oliver	Hornblower, Frederick Aug.
Code, James Arthur	Ewer, Warren Baxter	Hoyt, Asa A
Code, Philip D	Fenn, John Henry	Hromada, Adolph
Cohen, Joseph	Ferris, Crawford	Huff, Abram
Cohen, Philip	Fisher, Henry	Hughes, Edward Calvin
Cohen, Simon	Fisher, Henry James	Humphreys, George
Cohn, Gabriel	Fisher, Oscar	Hunt, Henry Brown
Connelly, James Edward	Fogel, George	Irvine, Alexander
Conrad, John George	Foorman, Samuel	Iverson, Niels
Cressy, Albert	Foster, Samuel	Jackson, David Bonard
Crocker, Henry Joseph	Fox, Otto	Jacobs, Isidor
Cronan, William	Frank, Emanuel Max	Jennings, Charles Brooks
Crowley, Timothy Jay	Fraser, John P	Jennings, Edward
Culver, James Henry	Fried, Ignatius S	Johnson, James Halvor
Curry, John	Friedberg, Morris Salamen	Johnson, John Charles
Curry, Nathaniel	Fuller, Andrew Henry	Jones, George Edward

Jones, Harrison	McLea, Arthur	Romaine, Nicholas Theod'e
Jones, Harrison Alexander	McNab, James	Rosenstock, Samuel Wolf
Jones, Martin	Mead, Lewis Risdon	Rountree, James
Jones, William	Mendelson, Solomon	Rountree, Moses Edmond
Juda, Morris	Metzger, Leo	Rothschild, Joseph
Kartschke, Gustav	Meyer, Charles	Sabatie, Phillippe Gabriel
Kenitzer, Henry	Meyer, Julius	Sachs, Lippman
Kerr, David	Michaels, Abraham	Sahlien, Moses
Kerr, James Patterson	Miles, William Emmert	Samuels, David
Kirkpatrick, Thomas	Mohrhardt, Philip Fred'k	Sanborn, Albion Irving
Kispet, Charles Frank	Moore, Charles Parker	Savage, Wm. Cunningham
Kohn, Issack	Moore, Thomas	Sawyer, Ebenezer Davis
Korts, George Daniel	Moraghan, Michael Bolan	Scheerer, Joseph
Kreling, William	Morehouse, Christ. Columb's	Schonfeld, Jacob
Kroscher, Hugo Julius	Morshead, John White	Schweitzer, Jakob
Lachman, Albert	Mosgrove, Samuel	Schweitzer, Morris
Lauden, Martin Kuttner	Myers, William	Scott, Albert Woodburn
Lengfeld, Abraham Lewis	Nagle, Peter Buck	Seller, Paul
Leviston, George	Neuberger, Gustave	Seitz, George
Levy, Felix Nathan	Newbauer, Herman Wolf	Shainwald, Herman
Levy, Jacob	Newton, Thomas Raven	Sibley, Levi Butler
Levy, Joseph	Nickol, Lorens	Simmons, Morris Joseph
Levy, Mark Washington	Nicolaysen, Frank	Simon, Joseph
Levy, Morris Bernhard	Noonan, Lawrence Edward	Simon, Theodore Joseph
Levy, Solomon	Nutsen, Charles Andrew	Simpson, Thomas Benjamin
Lewellyn, Reese	Nye, Joseph Merrill	Smith, Charles Ward
Lewis, William	O'Connor, Cornelius	Smith, Clarence Mark
Lezinaky, George	O'Connor, Edward Arthur	Solomon, Simon
Lopresti, Anthony	O'Connor, Joseph	Somervell, Wm. Somervell
Lowe, Julius Williams	Oliver, Edward	Soper, Joseph Henry
Lucas, Robert Hume	Osborn, Corra Mahlon	Spaulding, George
Luchsinger, John Jacob	Parker, Charles Hubbard	Spaulding, James Garfield
Lusk, Albert	Patridge, Hiram Cutter	Speier, Bernard
Mack, Adolph	Pearson, Henry Haven	Sperling, Frank
Madison, James	Peixotto, Edgar Davis	Steiger, Charles Frederick
Magnin, Simson	Penhallow, De Blois Pearce	Stern, Louis
Maguire, Thomas Frank	Penlington, George	Stern, Sigmund
Makins, James Nicholas	Pennie, James Orymes	Still, William
Manheim, Henry Simon	Perine, George Mairs	Stockwell, James Henry
Markewitz, August	Perry, David	Storn, Matthew Drysdale
Marks, Jesse Emanuel	Phillips, Wm. Armstrong	Sunderhaus, Geo. Henry O.
Marks, Marcus	Piper, Arthur Leroy	Sussman, Samuel
Martin, Henry Sebastian	Polastri, Richard Stephen	Swannack, Daniel
Mayer, Oscar Joseph	Redmond, Michael Francis	Sweet, Solomon
Mayers, Solomon Julius	Reinhart, Benedict	Swift, Samuel
McAllister, William Francis	Rice, Harvey Wood	Taylor, Samuel Johnson
McCann, Richard	Richards, Charles Wesley	Terry, John Colman
McCormick, William	Richards, Charles West, Jr.	Thornton, William Mynn
McDonald, John Weir	Riley, John Francis	Tilton, Charles Stephen
McDonald, Robert	Robbins, Frederick Averill	Titus, William Henry Frank
McKay, John Henry	Roberts, John Charles	Todd, David Byron
McKellips, Daniel Martin	Robinson, Cornel's Preston	Triest, Bernhard
McKenna, Thomas Dillon	Robinson, Henry Cooke	Troppman, Charles Martin

Turpin, Frederick Light	Warner, William John Bagley	Wilson, John N E
Tyson, James	Wetjen, Cord	Wilson, Marion Allen
Tyson, Robert James	White, Robert Frank	Wilson, Russell Jones
Umbsen, Gustave Henry	White, Thomas Benton	Winter, Washington General
Van Sicklen, F'd Wetherbee	Whittier, James Eugene	Wise, John Henry
Vigoreaux, William August	Williams, Daniel A	Wolf, Jacob William
Von Wefelsberg, A. Barack	Williams, Henry	Wolf, Simon
Wagner, Jacob	Williams, Oscar	Wormser, Louis
Wallace, William	Wilson, Frederick Green	Young, Charles Mortimer
Wankowski, William	Wilson, John	Young, William—407.

MARK MASTERS:

Hansen, Frederick Ludwig	Rahlmann, Harry Frederick	Williamson, Henry—4.
Ledagnous, Justin		

WITHDRAWN:

Dooley, Edmund Thomas	Jones, Hugh Pritchard—2.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Cooper, William—1.

EXCLUDED:

Ackerman, Sigmund Hart	Hopkins, Peter—2.
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DIED:

Blaney, Edward Wellington	McKew, John	Rosenbaum, Moses
Frank, George Washington	Prag, Martin	Sawyer, Lorenzo—7.
Hunt, John Henry		

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	384	Withdrawn	2
Exalted.....	32	Susp. for non-payment of dues..	1
Affiliated	3—419.	Excluded	2
		Died.....	7
		Now borne upon the roll.....	407—419.

SONORA CHAPTER, No. 2.

Sonora, Tualumna County.

Stated Meetings, Wednesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Eduard Keil, <i>High Priest,</i>	Alonzo Colby, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
Frank Wilson Street, <i>King,</i>	James Edgar Requa, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Henry Clay Calhoun, <i>Scribe,</i>	Archibald Patterson, <i>Master 3d Val,</i>
John Mundorf, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Thomas Washing'n Wells, <i>Master 2d Val,</i>
Thomas Arthur Stiles Hender, <i>Secretary,</i>	Charles Henry Burden, <i>Master 1st Val,</i>
Joseph Moore Hampton, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Abraham Barlow, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Stephen Wing,	Solomon Benas,	William Giles Long.
Edwin Aldrich Rodgers,	Alonzo Colby,	Eduard Keil.
James Bell,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Bacon, Martin	Johnson, Andrew Porter	Rudorff, William Gustav
Byrd, Francis Jahew	Lang, Charles Edward	Sharwood, William
Carter, John Beach	Leon, Samuel	Street, Charles Edward
Collins, John	Mathews, James	Vial, John
Cooley, John	Mitchell, Frederick Francis	Wade, Charles Frederick
Divoll, James George	Mock, Benjamin	West, John Henry
Eichelroth, William Egidius	Parsons, Edmond	Yancey, Tryon Milton—40.
Foesterling, Louis, Jr.	Rooney, Francis John	

RESTORED:

Collins, John—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Newton, William David Means, Andrew Jackson—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Bence, Adolphus—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	42	Withdrawn.....	2
Restored.....	1—43.	Susp. for non-payment of dues....	1
		Now borne upon the roll.....	40—43.

SACRAMENTO CHAPTER, No. 3.

Sacramento, Sacramento County.

Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Jacob Hyman, Jr., <i>High Priest</i> ,	John Walter Boyd, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
John Hurley, <i>King</i> ,	Preston Lodwic Lykins, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
Cyrus Hayden Hubbard, <i>Scribe</i> ,	David Harris, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Edward Lyon, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Hewson Davis, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Edwin Glover, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Frederick William Rohrer, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Frank Lytle Thirkield, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	George Frederick Bronner, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

William-Franklin Knox,	Alfred Augustus Redington;	Rufus Burnham Harmon,
Powell Samuel Lawson,	Cornelius Kellogg,	John William Rock,
Wm. Mon. Petrie, <i>P. G. H. P.</i> ,	Joseph Davey,	Richard Palmer Burr,
William Buckley Davis	Alexander John Gardiner,	Oreed Haymond,
Charles Mortimer Coglan,		Thomas Cross Pockman.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Abbott, Augustus	Bartels, William	Bagbey, Benjamin Norton
Adams, Oliver Miller	Bergevin, Nelson Langevin	Burnett, Augustus
Alexander, Benj. Franklin	Bittancourt, Thomas Maria	Barnham, James Henry
Allen, John Francis	Bliss, Sidney	Butler, Stephen William
Alltucker, Henry	Block, Maurice	Baldwin, William Hedges
Andrews, Adam	Bragg, Henry William	Burchard, James Philo
Andrews, John Nichols	Braun, August	Calderwood, Job Francis
Atkinson, Edmund Clement	Briggs, William Ellery	Carroll, Edgar Barclay
Ball, Charles Henry	Brown, Byron Bradley	Carroll, Harry Winans
Barrett, Isaac Thomas	Brown, Jay Roshell	Caswell, William Averill

Champlin, Nelson	Gray, Arthur Irvine	Lambert, Frank Ellis
Chapman, Bernard Henry	Gray, Alexander Isaac	La Rue, Hugh McElroy
Chapman, George Warren	Green, Peter B	Levison, Jacob
Christy, Edward	Gregg, George	Levy, Edward Roger
Church, William Smithers	Gregory, Eugene Julius	Lewis, Samuel Amanzo
Clark, Jerome Franklin	Gregory, Frank	Lightner, Bonus
Cluness, William Robert	Grubler, John	Little, Christopher
Cohn, Edward Francis	Guthrie, John William	Littlefield, Lewis Bateman
Conaway, George Winfield	Hale, Evert Wilburn	Locke, George Washington
Cook, Hiram	Hale, Marshall, Jr.	Lufkins, Harry Tileston
Cooledge, Isaac Baldwin	Hale, Prentiss Cobb	McAlister, Adam Armstrong
Cothrin, William Kip	Hall, Thomas Bertram	McArthur, John
Crocker, Henry Smith	Hamilton, William Brown	McKay, Daniel
Crofton, John	Hammer, Mosheim Schm'r	McKee, Edward Hervey
Croly, Edward James	Harper, Thomas	McKee, James Anderson
Crouch, Eugene Ackley	Haskell, Dudley Haines	McLaughlin, William
Cunningham, John Austin	Hatch, James Darrow	Meister, August
Curtis, Nathaniel Greene	Hatch, Wilbur Mark	Menke, Anton
Coleman, Timothy	Hawk, Elbridge Lafayette	Merrill, John Francis
Dale, Richard	Hawkins, William	Meserve, John Gideon
Davis, Jacob Zeigler	Heilbron, Adolph	Miller, Peter Andrew
Davis, James Gilliland	Heilbron, Henry August	Miller, William Buchanan
Decker, Horace Washing'n	Herzog, Philip	Mills, James Edgar
Denney, Alphonse	Hevener, William Henry	Moore, Robert H
Denson, Samuel Crawford	Hickey, William Edward	Moore, Seth Beardsley
Dierssen, Geo. Ernest Aug't	Hoag, William Moffit	Mouser, Silas Mercer
Dixon, William Henry	Hollister, Dwight	Nathan, Samuel
Domingos, John	Holmes, Henry T	Nelson, Clarence Newton
Dresher, Valentine	Hoover, Benjamin Van Zandt	Nevis, Manuel Silva
Drew, Nathaniel Lafayette	Hopkins, Edwin Carmi	Nichols, Arthur Lambard
Dunn, George	Howell, Sidney Algernon	Ochsner, John
Dwyer, Michael	Hubbs, Anthony	Odell, Merrill Francis
Ecklon, Christian Ludwig	Huggins, Henri Tyler	Olsen, Jens Romeo
Eilers, Theodore George	Hull, Joseph	O'Neil, James
Fay, Newton Murray	Hyman, Daniel	Pacheco, Romualdo
Ferriter, Thomas	Hyman, Jacob, Sr.	Parsons, Charles Robert
Fillmore, Jerome Adolphus	Ingham, Harry	Payne, Jeremiah Newton
Flye, Charles Eben	Inwalle, John Joseph	Peck, Nelson Stanley
Forbes, Robert	Irvine, Richard Cutrer	Perkins, William Dana
Foster, James Stewart	Irvine, William John	Peterson, Wm. Frederick
Fox, Thomas	Jackson, William Franklin	Phillips, George
Foye, Wm. Robinson Smith	Jacobs, Louis	Phillips, Louis
Frank, Samuel	Jenkins, Charles Asberry	Pike, John Elias Tucker
Fraser, Henry Carpenter	Johnson, Hiram Warren	Platt, Philemon Eli
Frost, Amos Locke	Johnson, Julian Workman	Potter, William Alfred
Gallatin, Albert	Johnston, William	Porter, James Nichols
George, Wilbur Forest	Jones, William Rowland	Porter, Clive William
Gerber, William Emil	Just, John Peter	Putnam, George Alford
Gerson, Samuel	Ketchum, Marvin Alonzo	Ralston, George William
Gett, William Andrew, Jr.	Knights, William Durrant	Rath, Eliaz
Gillis, Dougald	Knights, William Rudd	Rego, Edward Sutherland
Gorth, Michael	Krebs, Charles Henry	Rosseguie, James Gleason
Gottleb, Samuel	Lavenson, Samuel	Richards, John

Roberts, John Henry	Stevenson, Henry Llewellyn	Welch, Geo. Drake
Robinson, Robert	Stober, Frederick Conrad	West, Daniel
Runyon, Solomon	Buttlett, Levi Beardsley	White, George Amos
Sawyer, James Canney	Taverner, George	Wilcoxsen, Jefferson
Schroth, John George	Taverner, Thomas Moore	Wilder, Joel Osgood
Scott, Thomas James	Todd, John William	Willard, David Wright
Sheldon, William Channcey	Tufts, Albert Currier	Willis, Evander Berry
Sindelar, Joseph	Ulp, Alfred	Willis, William Ladd
Smith, Benjamin	Van Fleet, William Carey	Wilson, Jesse Warren
Smith, Frank Augustus	Van Voorhies, Albert Alex.	Witham, Gilbert Tapley
Smith, Thomas	Vermilya, Abram John	Woodburn, Charles Gabriel
Stanley, Leander	Wachhorst, Herman	Woodburn, James
Stanton, Perrin	Wallace, Campbell William	Wood, William
Steffens, Joseph	Wallquist, Carl Johan	Wright, John Bascom
Steinman, Bernhard Ulmer	Waterhouse, Columbus	Yoerk, August Charles
Steinmeyer, Fred'k Wilhelm	Welch, Benjamin	Young, John Nelles—264.
Stevens, Charles Henry		

MARK MASTERS:

Bassett, William Walter

Graham, Louis Edgar—2.

RESTORED:

Talbot, John—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Neusbaum, Abraham B C

McConnell, Thomas—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Acock, Thomas Lafayette
 Arrasmith, Vernon
 Carey, John Thomas
 Cochrane, William

Gorth, Michael
 Iagna, Hans Bernard Wm.
 Jones, Edward Augustus

McQuormack, Charles
 Montgomery, George
 Tubbs, John Charles—10.

DIED:

Allen, Robert
 Flye, Bernard Wilmot
 Hammond, Edwin

Hillier, Theodore
 Scott, Lemuel Pervine

Talbot, John
 Webster, Samuel Excelsior
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RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	270	Withdrawn	2
Exalted	6	Susp. for non-payment of dues. 10	
Affiliated	6	Died	7
Restored	1—283.	Now borne upon the roll.....	264—283.

CALIFORNIA CHAPTER, No. 5.*San Francisco, San Francisco County.**Stated Meetings, first and third Tuesdays in each month.***OFFICERS:**

George Dietterle, *High Priest*,
 Charles William Decker, *King*,
 Robert Ash, *Scribe*,
 Hiram Throop Graves, *Treasurer*,
 Franklin Henry Day, *Secretary*,
 John Allen Hosmer, *Captain of the Host*,

Joseph Gardner Baston, *Pr. Sojourner*,
 George Leonard Murdock, *R. A. Capt.*,
 Philip Leon Koscialowski, *Master 3d Vail*,
 William Warren Coleman, *Master 2d Vail*,
 Lamartine Osborn, *Master 1st Vail*,
 Samuel David Mayer, *Organist*,
 James Oglesby, *Guard*.

Past High Priests:

Reuben Edgar Raimond,
William Henry Lyon,
Hiram Throop Graves,
Alfred Cooledge Waitt,
Joseph Miller Litchfield,
John Elbridge Purdy,
Abraham Halsey,
Franklin Henry Day,
Isaac Stanwood Locke,

David Pugh Marshall,
Edward Potter Cressey,
Charles Lewis Patton,
Henry Ascroft,
John Kirkpatrick, *P. G. H. P.*,
Thomas Kyle,
Albert Frederick Knorp,
William Abraham Davies, *P. G. H. P.*,
Isaac Sutvene Titus, *P. G. H. P.*

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Adams, Joseph Willard	Brigham, Calvin Oaks	Crocker, Charles Frederic
Allen, Richard Spicer	Brinckerhoff, Harman	Crocker, William Henry
Allen, William Alvord	Brittan, Nathaniel Jones	Cummings, Henry Addison
Ames, Frank Holmes	Bromley, George Tisdale	Cummings, Walter Bailey
Anderson, Isaac	Brown, Charles Frederick	Curtis, John Morrison
Anderson, Winslow	Brown, Henry Adams	Dall, Peter Peterson
Anthony, Edward Augustus	Brown, Tom Adamson	Dalton, Franklin
Armstrong, George Robert	Brown, William Anderson	Dalton, Thomas Benton
Atkinson, Thos. Thompson	Brown, William Graham	Daniell, William Henry
Baker, Charles Henry	Browning, Jeremiah	Davis, Winfield Scott
Baldwin, Alfred Walton	Bruce, James Henderson	Dean, Peter
Baldwin, Sherman Charles	Bruns, Henry Frederick	De Witt, Thomas Byron
Ballard, Jedediah Stow	Buckingham, Anselmus E.	Dickinson, John Henry
Band, Henry Frederick	Burns, Henry Bernard	Dodd, Willis Gorman
Bandman, Charles Julius	Burtis, Robert Wallace	Dorn, Marcellus Americus
Barclay, Peter Thomas	Callahan, Charles	Doud, Aaron
Barclay, Robert Henry	Callinan, William	Dougherty, Charles Medley
Barnes, Wm. Henry Linow	Campbell, Robert	Dowling, Thomas Henry
Barnisel, Epenetus Ro'g's	Campbell, Walter Chauncey	Driffeld, Vero Carus
Barrows, Charles Dana	Carr, John George	Duboce, Victor Donglaim
Bauer, John Christian	Castle, Stephen	Dugan, Charles Edwin
Baum, David Andrew	Center, John	Duncan, Benjamin Beatly
Benedict, Courtland Smith	Chapin, Dinamore Davis	Dunn, James
Benson, John Adelbert	Chealey, Charles Palmer	Eagleson, John Geddes
Berryman, Henry Burpee	Childs, George	Earl, John Ogden
Binge, Theo. Christoph Dan'l	Christian, Ceasar	Earle, Henry Halford
Biroh, William Henry	Church, Edward Bentley	Earle, Slade Anthony
Black, Howard	Clark, John Franklin	Easton, Ansel Mills
Blake, Charles Edward	Clifford, James Benjamin	Easton, Wendell
Blake, Edward Presbrey	Cloak, Harry Bordell	Eaton, Frank Eugene
Blaser, John Christian	Cockrill, Theo. Guevara	Eckart, William Roberts
Bloomer, John Godfrey	Cogswell, James Lafayette	Eddy, Richard A
Blossom, Henry Eckford	Cole, Edward Pleasant	Ede, William
Bone, Charles	Cole, Richard Beverly	Edgar, Dan Joseph
Booth, Andrew George	Coleman, Carlton Chinn	Edmondson, John George
Boyes, James	Conway, George	Edwards, William
Bragg, Frank	Cox, Alexander Middleton	Ehle, Hiram Bauber
Bragg, Robert	Cox, Henry	Eklund, John Peter
Briedenbach, Emile Henry	Cox, Palmer	Elliot, Charles Emery
Breon, Paul	Crim, William Henry	Estee, Morris March
Bridge, William Edward	Crocker, Calvin Harlow	Evans, Chester Hepburn

Evans, Joseph John	Haskell, Charles Lyman	Jost, William Rheinhard
Ewell, Luther Jerome	Hatch, James Henry	Judd, Garritt Pitt
Fargo, Earl Alexander	Hatch, Theodore Henry	Kellogg, Frank Harvey
Fargo, Jerome Bonaparte	Hauxhurst, Samuel Weeks	Kelly, Robert Gabriel
Pickett, James Everett	Heald, Edward Payson	Kennedy, Frank
Field, Alfred Bishop	Hedley, John	Kennedy, John Fitzmaurice
Fielding, Samuel Marion	Heinlen, Goethe Augustus	Kenyon, Curtis George
Finck, Julius	Hellwig, Christian	Kern, Morris James
Firth, Joseph Kirk	Hematreet, Albert David	Keyser, Paul
Fisher, George Augustine	Heuer, William Henry	Kimball, Moses Coombe
Fisher, Will Everett	Highton, Henry Edward	Kincaid, John Evans
Fiske, Henry Mortimer	Hildebrandt, Carsten	King, Henry Lewis
Fiske, William Henry	Hobbs, John Kimble Carl'n	King, Joseph Libbey
Fitzgerald, William Thomas	Hodgdon, James Peverly	Kinne, Charles Mason
Flint, Brilsford Pease	Hodge, Robert	Kinsey, Kerst
Fonda, William Middleton	Hoffman, Henry Nathaniel	Knight, Edmund Ewell
Fonda, William Thomas	Hopkins, Timothy	Knight, George Alexander
Foster, Arthur William	Horn, Bernard Jeremiah	Knipe, Thomas John
Foster, William Barrett	Horton, Thomas Rotch	Koenig, Frank
French, Frank James	Hotaling, Anson Parsons	Kohler, Henry
Frolich, Theodore	Howard, Charles Selby	Kramer, Louis George
Frost, Eugene	Howard, Horace Zerach	Kreig, Anton
Gabbs, Albert Step. Isaiah	Howe, George Washington	Kron, Oscar Jacob
Garratt, Benjamin Franklin	Howes, Cyrus Pierce	Landers, John
Gilson, John	Hubbard, Henry Calvin	Lane, William Edmund
Gilmore, Archibald Neill	Hubbard, Thomas Jay	Lane, William
Girvin, James William	Husted, Orson Justus	Latson, Francis Palmer
Godley, Montgomery	Humphreys, James Holroyd	Lawson, Andrew
Goodban, Francis Edward	Huribut, Reuben Preston	Leydecker, Theo. William
Goodman, Theodore Henry	Hutchinson, Ely Israel	Lick, James William
Grade, William Adolph	Iredale, Charles Winslow	Little, George Edward
Grant, Thos. Chamberlain	Jackson, Alden W	Little, William Tell
Grauerholz, Henry John	Jacobs, Albert	Lloyd, Reuben Hedley
Graves, Charles Henry	Jaynes, Frank	Lockwood, Thomas
Green, Charles Ernest	Jeffers, Milo Sidney	Logan, Milburn Hill
Greenwood, Monroe	Jeffray, William	Long, John Thomas
Grey, John Thomas	Jellison, Benjamin Franklin	Lovelace, Arthur Stuart
Griffin, John Wesley	Jenks, George Washington	Lowell, Albert Carroll
Griffith, John Beruth	Jewett, George Albert	Lucas, John William
Griffiths, Thomas Hamlyn	Jewett, Philo Dennis	Lucas, Walter Edward
Grosetta, Martin	Johnson, Albert de M'tfredy	Lundquist, Edward Charles
Gunn, Benjamin McKay	Johnson, George	Lutz, William Edward
Hall, Robert	Johnson, Mathias	Lux, Frank Antoin
Halstead, James La Fayette	Jones, Charles Le Barron	Lyman, Obaries
Hamilton, Hiram Milton	Jones, Cyrus Winship	Macdonald, William
Hammond, Andrew Benoni	Jones, Edward Thomas	Maddox, Cabel Harrison
Hammond, John	Jones, Henry Isaac	Maguire, Michael Edward
Hammond, Rich'd Pindell, Jr.	Jones, John Richard	Mann, Asro Levi
Hammond, Samuel Chester	Jones, William	Martin, Alexander
Hansen, Carl Christian A.	Jones, William Arthur	Martin, Minor Silas
Hanson, Edw'd Hencheldey	Jost, Charles	Marye, George Thomas
Hart, Wm. Henry Harrison	Jost, Charles, Jr.	Mathews, Henry Allen
Hartshorne, Benj. Minturn	Jost, Joseph	Mathews, Henry Edward

Mathews, William	Otersen, Herman	Seibel, Philipp
Mathewson, John	Owen, Hugh James	Seymour, Simon Harry
McAfee, William Adam	Parish, Mark	Shattuck, David Dustin
McCarty, James	Parker, Edward Fletcher	Shoobert, John Edmond
McClure, Stewart	Parmelee, James Edward	Shortt, Law'ce Hartshorne
McComb, John	Parson, Edward	Simpson, James
McConnell, Chalmers New'n	Partridge, Edward Briggs	Skivington, John Franklin
McCullough, H. Van Schaick	Patterson, Alex. Van Rens'r	Slack, Charles William
McDennell, Samuel Alex'er	Payne, Warren Ritch	Smith, Emory Evans
McGann, Patrick Henry	Pearce, George Frank	Smith, Francis
McGeorge, William Connolly	Peck, John Edward	Smith, George Sedgwick
McKeon, John	Peck, John Henry Fenton	Smith, Harry Burt, Jr.
McLane, George Milligan	Peckham, William Henry	Smith, Henry Julian
McMillan, Robert	Peel, Jonathan Morfiew	Smith, James Jerome
McNee, Alexander	Periam, Charles James	Smith, William Frederick
McNee, John Hunter	Perley, Albion Starbird	Smith, William Jacob
McNutt, William Frederick	Peterson, Arthur Simison	Sowers, Frederick
Meigs, Anson Woodman	Phillips, Nathan Fraser	Spear, Gustavus Langford
Mentz, John Henry	Phillips, William Rippard	Spear, Lewis Eugene
Merry, William Lawrence	Pitchford, John Benjamin	Stadtfeld, Jacob
Meston, Robert	Plum, Charles Mortimer	Stafford, William Gardner
Metzner, Charles Francis	Porter, Thomas Alexander	Starbird, Albion Wilson
Mills, Edward Tyrrell Bisset	Preston, Edgar Frank	Stark, William Alexander
Montague, Wilford Weed	Price, Arthur Faraday	Stande, Fred
Monteleagre, Carlos Franc'o	Price, Thomas	Steiner, Nicholas
Moore, Andrew	Prior, John Lewis	Stevens, William Emerson
Moore, Arthur Weld	Balston, William Chapman	Stockfieth, John
Moore, Elliott Josiah	Ramage, Walter James	Stringer, William James
Moore, Robert S	Rader, John	Sumner, Frank William
Morfiew, Thomas	Reese, Evan Leander	Swain, Edward Robinson
Morgan, Charles Augustus	Reyaolds, Frank Augustus	Swenson, John Augustus
Morgan, David	Rice, Frank Scott	Swift, James Flitcroft
Morgan, Frederick Charles	Riordan, Thomas Daniel	Tait, William Cave
Morgan, John Stillwell	Robertson, John Worcester	Taylor, George McClellan
Morrow, William W	Robertson, Wm. Alexander	Taylor, John Brinkworth
Morse, John Frederick	Rodgers, Arthur	Thompson, George Howard
Morton, Thomas	Ross, Donald	Thomson, Thomas
Muller, John	Rugg, Amos Uriah	Thornton, Samuel Kennedy
Nagle, George Dedrich	Rugg, Joseph Percival	Thrall, Henry Homer
Nagle, Richard Hamilton	Rundell, William Mason	Tierney, Charles Henry
Nash, Charles	Russ, Henry Beauchamp	Tonningesen, John
Neal, Charles Sanders	Russell, John Adams	Trobeck, Bartholo'w Nich's
Neal, George Folger	Russell, Monson	Turner, James Frederick
Nelson, William Hervey	Ryan, Michael	Vail, Akin Hiller
Newhall, Edwin White	Sabin, John Ira	Vance, George Prescott
Newhall, Harry Gregory	Salsbury, Charles	Vanderslice, Wm. Keyser
Nixon, James Henry	Salsbury, Warren Higgins	Van Duzer, Oliver
Noonen, John	Sanborn, William David	Veen, Frank Joseph
Norcross, Daniel	Schmidt, Valentine	Von Schmidt, Alexey Wal'r
North, George Loomis	Schreiber, Martin Aug. Wm.	Von Staden, George
O'Brien, Thomas V	Scott, Ebenezer	Wadsworth, James O. Luke
Okell, Charles John	Scott, Thomas William	Wagner, John
Osborn, Robert Folger	Segesser, John Ulrich	Walker, James Greig

Walsh, George Charles	Weldon, William Edwin	Woodbury, Warren Dean
Warburton, Samuel	Wells, Asa Reynolds	Woodlock, John
Ward, William	Wells, William	Woods, Harry Frank
Ward, William Braddon	Wheaton, Milton Alverd	Woodward, Gideon Paschall
Warren, Joseph Maxwell	White, Lovell	Wright, Charles William
Warwick, James Blain	Whitham, John Hastings	Wright, Cyrus Smith
Waterhouse, Fred. Adelbert	Wilmsans, Stephen Caleb	York, William
Waters, George Latham	Wilson, Charles Harold	Young, Shirley Trevor
Watkins, Alonso Augustus	Wilson, John Henry	Younger, Wm. John—499.
Weed, Merritt Herman	Wilson, William Archibald	

MOST EXCELLENT MASTERS:

Mitchell, Robert Brent	Rice, Richard James	Smith, Lewis Warren—3.
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MARK MASTERS:

Barnes, William Sanford	Shortridge, Samuel Morgan—2.
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RESTORED:

Hudson, George Henry—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Hager, George	Kendrick, Colin, Jr.	Tozer, Charles Warren—5.
Hudson, George Henry	Merrill, George Whitney	

EXCLUDED:

Dinsmore, Robert	Kenney, Augustus Reid	Ramsden, Charles Hamilton—3.
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DIED:

Buffington, John Mason	Graham, Thomas Gardner	Steiger, Charles Rudolph
Center, William	Harney, William	Taber, Jacob Spooner
Crane, Byron Grandy	Johnson, John Munroe	Whitney, Calvin Eastman
Gond, George Lamb	Partridge, Charles	—11.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	472	Withdrawn	5
Exalted	42	Excluded.....	3
Affiliated.....	3	Died	11
Restored	1—518.	Now borne upon the roll.....	499—518.

NEVADA CHAPTER, No. 6.

Nevada, Nevada County.

Stated Meetings, second Monday in each month.

OFFICERS:

William Barker, <i>High Priest,</i>	David Eddy Morgan, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
George Lovett Hughes, <i>King,</i>	William Barton, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Fred Searls, <i>Scribe,</i>	Milan Burchard Siddles, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
John Thomas Morgan, <i>Treasurer,</i>	George Cook Gaylord, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Ianthis Jerome Rolfe, <i>Secretary,</i>	Edwin Tilley, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Edward Sam'l Edwards, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Antonio Tam, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Thos. H. Caswell, <i>P. G. H. P.</i> ,	Halstead Stansfield,	Joseph Thomas,
Thomas Mein,	Kaskil Casper,	William Barker,
Ianthis Jerome Rolfe,	Martin Luther Marsh,	Edward Myers Preston,

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Barrett, Charles Augustus	Goodwin, Jeremiah Samuel	Reid, James
Bernardo, Manoel Joseph	Hale, Horace	Richards, William Gilbert
Bridges, Edwin David	Hampton, Elisha	Robbins, John Trathan
Buffington, John Mason, Jr.	Hanley, William A	Rose, David
Chapman, Lucius Homer	Holland, Jacob La Fayette	Rose, James
Clemons, William	Holmes, William	Searls, Niles
Orndall, Orman	Kendrick, Levi Jackson	Shaw, George Crawford
Ournow, Robert	Long, William David	Tellam, Frederick
Ennis, Franklin	Marsh, Daniel	Tompkins, Edward Alex.
Evans, John	McBean, John	Tower, Alonzo Douglas
Fleming, Jos. Davenport	McBrown, John	White, James O
Floyd, William	McElvey, Charles	Williamson, Levi—57.
Folene, Antone	Pease, Sanford Orrin	

RESTORED:

McElvey, Charles—1.

EXCLUDED:

Stowers, Nathaniel Henry—1.

DIED:

Brown, John Earl

Montgomery, John—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....59	Excluded.....1
Restored.....1—60.	Died.....2
	Now borne upon the roll.....57—60.

BENICIA CHAPTER, No. 7.**Benicia, Solano County.***Stated Meetings, every alternate Wednesday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Allan Page Sanborn, <i>High Priest,</i>	———, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
John Schafenberger, <i>King,</i>	Elijah Morton, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
George Richard Duval, <i>Scribe,</i>	———, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Charles King, <i>Treasurer,</i>	James Buchanan McKenzie, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Alvin Stone Parritt, <i>Secretary,</i>	James Ambrose Smith, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Morgan Williams, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Samuel John Filer, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Thomas McKay,

Allen Page Sanborn.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Danforth, Edwin	McArthur, Murdock	Moore, William Louis
Hahn, Henry Casper	McKay, William	Mounce, John
Johnson, Joseph Green	Misner, Lansing Bond	Reugar, John
Johnston, Simon	Montgomery, Thos. Bailey	Weinman, Louis—23.

WITHDRAWN:

Crooks, John Edwin—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Bryant, William Henry	Foreman, William Hubbard	Kelly, John William—4.
Fleming, George		

DIED:

McLaughlin, Arthur Herbert	Trumbull, Charles William	Poor, George—3.
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RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....31	Withdrawn..... 1
	Susp. for non-payment of dues..... 4
	Died..... 3
	Now borne upon the roll.....23—31.

SHASTA CHAPTER, No. 9.

Shasta, Shasta County.

*Stated Meetings, second and fourth Tuesdays in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Morris Mehon, <i>High Priest,</i>	George Howard Sechrist, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
Albert Frederick Ross, <i>King,</i>	James Freeman Scammon, <i>Royal Arch Cap.</i>
Arnold Charles Dolde, <i>Scribe,</i>	Jewitt Scranton, <i>Master 3d Val,</i>
William Alex. Boswell, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Gunther Chas. F. Schroter, <i>Master 2d Val,</i>
William Pierce McKean, <i>Secretary,</i>	John William Garden, <i>Master 1st Val,</i>
Elijah Mason Dixon, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Daniel Potter Bystle, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests :

Adolph Dobrowsky,	Joseph Weill,	Elijah Mason Dixon,
Daniel Potter Bystle,	Clay Webster Taylor,	Morris Mehon.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Andrew, William	Huester, Louis Frederick	Mitchell, Marshall Alex.
Andrews, Alex. Robertson	Herzinger, John	McDonald, Luke
Averill, George Warren	Hull, Sylvester	Nichols, James Levin
Bedford, James Franklin	Herron, Matthew Wilkes	Overmeyer, Charles Edwin
Bowden, John Peter	Kellner, Wilhelm	Plumb, Mayne
Cutter, Harry Hill	Leiter, Alexander	Reagan, James
Dryman, James Angus	Martin, Edward Armstead	Recardo, John D
Green, Thomas	Martin, Rufus Franklin	Reynolds, John Edward

Ross, Herman Frederick	Smith, Thomas Burton	Weil, David
Scott, John Varner	Souter, John	Weil, Sigmund
Shanahan, Thad. Wilson Huff	Ströde, John Sale	Wimmer, James Moses
Shearin, Daniel Thomas	Sweeny, Edward	Winsell, James Fletcher
Shuffleton, Hugh Hall	Syme, John	Witherow, Samuel Newton
Smith, Albert Ferdinand	Thatcher, Geo. Washington	Warrington, Thomas Henry

—57.

DIED :

Hopping, William Ely—1.

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report	54	Died	1
Exalted	3	Now borne upon the roll	57—58.
Affiliated	1—58.		

SUTTER CHAPTER, No. 11.

Sutter Creek, Amador County.

Stated Meetings, third Friday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Morris Brinn, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Robert Pope, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
William Henry Gunsolus, <i>King</i> ,	Louis Katz, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Robert John Adams, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Robert Redpath, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
George Allen, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Walter Scott Cooledge, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Frank Arthur Voorhies, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Thos. William Trudgen, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
John McDougill Post, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	John Jelmini, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests :

Alvinza Hayward,	John Lithgow,	Wallace Kay,
John Whitten Surface,	John McDougill Post,	Edward Converse Voorhies.
Robert Aitken,	Robert Redpath,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Bell, William	Marchant, John	Surface, Jacob
Bennetts, William Arthur	Millikan, Jesse	Surface, James Philip
Clute, Peter Alonzo	Minear, John Ingersoll	Sutherland, George
Frates, Frank	Ould, John	Templeton, Isaac Newton
Hall, Henry Frank	Owen, Hugh Owens	Tregloan, John Roger
Howard, Francis Augustus	Patterson, David Anderson	Walters, Henry Franklin
Harvey, William James	Richardson, Lorenzo C.	Whitelach, Daniel Henry
Isaacs, Bernhard	Robinson, Robert	Yelmini, Victor Pacific—44.
Jennings, William	Steinberger, John Adams	

PAST MASTER :

Perkins, John Dabney—1.

RESTORED :

Gerson, Max—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Gerson, Max—1.

DIED :

Howard, Francis Augustus—1.

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....	42	Withdrawn.....	1
Exalted	3	Died	1
Restored	1—46.	Now borne upon the roll	44—46.

MERCED CHAPTER, No. 12**Merced, Merced County.***Stated Meetings, second and fourth Wednesdays in each month.***OFFICERS :**

William Lewis Silman, <i>High Priest,</i>	Albert Pitzer, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
Robert Gracey, <i>King,</i>	Charles Simon, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Charles Edgar Fleming, <i>Scribe,</i>	Adolph Jacob Zirker, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Carter Landram, <i>Treasurer,</i>	John Henry Simonson, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
James Leonard, <i>Secretary,</i>	Ebenezer Maxwell Stoddard, <i>Master 1st V.,</i>
Aaron Badt, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Thomas Albert Hall, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

John Kirk Bernard,	Arthur Homer Dauchy,	Aaron Badt,
Hiram Newton Rucker,	Carter Landram,	Albert Pitzer.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Adams, William	Harris, Charles Parsons	Russell, John
Barfield, George Hardwick	Hart, William John	Schroder, John George
Bearwald, Henry	Hunt, William Horton	Snyder, John Washington
Becker, Frederick	Jacobs, Isaac Henry	Sproule, Isaac Henry
Draper, Wilbur Fiske	Jones, Lewis Fuller	Stoneroad, Geo. Washington
Dunbar, Harry	Means, William Leland	Thorn, Joseph Franklin
Galland, Joseph Barnett	Neighbor, Gilbert Bodine	Warfield, Chas. Alex. Hamilton
Gribble, James Thomas	O'Brien, Edward Stephen	Wassman, Max
Hammatt, Robert William	Rector, Elbridge Gerry	Westbay, William Wesley
Hardwick, Wm. Jefferson	Rees, Henry Christofer	—44.

RESTORED:

Wassman, Max—1.

DIED:

Bates, Samuel Claghorn	Lee, George Pierce	Meany, Anthony James—3.
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RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....46	Died..	8
Restored.....	1—47.	Now borne upon the roll.....44—47.

WASHINGTON CHAPTER, No. 13.**Marysville, Yuba County.***Stated Meetings, second Friday in each month.***OFFICERS :**

Alexander Cameron Irwin, <i>High Priest,</i>	Ortis Frederick Lee, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
William Flint Peacock, <i>King,</i>	Albert Julius Ments, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
William Andrew Lowrey, <i>Scribe,</i>	Frank B Miller, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Adoniram Judson Batohelder, <i>Treasurer,</i>	George W Blackburn, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
James Fred Eastman, <i>Secretary,</i>	Peter Engel, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
John George McLellan, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Amos Fisher, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests :

Norman Dunning Rideout,	Henry Charles Lott,	Amasa Willey White,
Charles E Stone,	Samuel Josiah Smith Rogers,	Alexander Cameron Irwin,
Lemuel Trescott Crane,	Joseph Swalm Dallam,	John George McLellan.
Thomas Hugh Steel,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS :

Aaron, Francis Wm. Howard	Flint, Joseph A	Miller, Hezekiah Monroe
Adams, Charles Dinkel	Fraser, Daniel	North, George
Aubrey, Frank Cornelius	Fuller, Jesse Beech	Oakley, Amasa Wilder
Barrie, John Ferguson	Gianella, Vincenzo	Ostrom, Daniel Augustus
Belcher, Isaac Sawyer	Gibson, Alexander	Oyster, William M
Belcher, William Caldwell	Goad, William Frank	Peck, William Francis
Berry, Campbell Polson	Gottwals, William	Peffer, John
Berry, James McConnell	Griffith, Irwin	Peters, Joseph
Bevan, Thomas Edward	Haggood, Charles	Phillips, Joseph
Bingham, Atkins Clark	Hauss, Ferdinand	Pincus, Emil
Binney, Andrew Jackson	Haynes, James	Sanborn, Miles Edward
Bomatter, Charles	Hewitt, Arthur Hathaway	Saul, Jeremiah Andrew
Bradley, Samuel Henry	Hochstadter, Adolph	Saye, George Marion
Brittan, Robert Edward Lee	Hochstadter, Simon	Schuler, Conrad
Carpenter, Geo. Washington	Holland, George	Slingsby, William
Chase, Thomas	Hortop, Philip	Soderlund, Johannes
Clements, William Andrew	Hudson, Edward Henry	Soderlund, Noach
Cress, Jacob Daniel	Hull, Theodore Benson	Stanwood, Richard Goss
Cohn, Isaac Geballe	Hunter, William	Stoddard, William Seward
Dahling, Henry Frank Fred	Hutchins, Gavin Walker	Stratton, Cornelius Allen
Davis, Edwin Amenzon	Jasper, Jos. M. Carrington	Sullivan, John Lyon
Deaner, Samuel Christian	Kells, Robert Cornelius	Swain, William Caldwell
DeWitt, William Golder	Knight, David Edgar	Skinner, Randolph Whitney
Dixon, John	Kosby, Augustus Emil	Thom, David, Jr.
Dobbins, Thomas	Lask, Joseph	Thompson, Ernest Briceno
Dougall, Thomas	Levy, Jacob	Walton, Benjamin Franklin
Duncan, John Lewis	Lewak, Solomon	Walton, Hiram Aaron, Jr.
Earnshields, Victor Lewis	Logan, Anderson Dabney	Weber, Henry Victor
Ellis, William Turner	Marcuse, Marcus	Wilcoxon, Caleb Elisha
Engel, John Philip	Marcuse, Meyer A	Willey, Amasa Parker
Ewell, Samuel	Mattison, Charles	Wilson, Wesley Thomas
Falk, Herman	McNutt, John Fleming	Wilson, William Clinton
Featherly, Edward Wash'n	Meek, Emerson Emmet	Wolters, George
Fimbreath, Arthur Francis	Millar, Robert	Woodworth, Willard Downer

—122.

MOST EXCELLENT MASTERS :

Burner, Henry

Nilson, William Harvey—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Deaner, Hiram Franklin—1.

DIED:

Barnes, Avery Powers
Hamlin, Norman Scott

Harrington, Christopher Clark
Lawrence, William Lee

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RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....	121	Withdrawn.....	1
Exalted.....	6	Died.....	5
Affiliated.....	1—128.	Now borne upon the roll.....	122—128.

HOWARD CHAPTER, No. 14.**San Jose, Santa Clara County.***Stated Meetings, first Friday in each month.***OFFICERS :**

Ralph Lowe, <i>High Priest,</i>	Orrin Francis Mann, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
Tyler Beach, <i>King,</i>	Richard Turner Priest, <i>Royal Arch Capt.,</i>
Wiley Huddleston Trogden, <i>Scribe,</i>	George Henry Braug, <i>Master 3d Val,</i>
Clement Theodore Park, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Jethro Nathaniel Bruce Brackett, <i>M. 2d V.,</i>
Joseph Wheeler Cook, <i>Secretary,</i>	George Thomas Gribner, <i>Master 1st Val,</i>
Clarence Haydock, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	William Larkin Woodrow, <i>Chaplain,</i>
	Fred Sanford Coffin, <i>Guard.</i>

Fast High Priests :

Wm. Alex. January, <i>P.G.H.P.,</i>	Daniel O Dunn,	Fred Sanford Coffin,
Wilbur Justus Wilcox,	Orrin Francis Mann,	Samuel Watson Boring,
William Osmond Breyfogle,	George Alex. Fleming,	Ralph Lowe.
Wilson Hayes,	Wm. Winfield Blanchard,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS :

Allen, Cyrus Hamilton	Gay, Milus Harvey	Morey, Harvey Chapin
Allison, William De Witt	Gerichs, John Christian	Mortimer, William
Aakam, Oliver Perry	Haley, William Wallace	Nickerson, Franklin Levi
Averett, Alvis Early	Hamilton, Alonzo Babbitt	Niehaus, Edward
Beard, John Lyman	Hare, Andrew Jackson	Northern, William Leander
Bennett, Augustus Griffin	Hawley, William George	Osborne, Antrim Edgar
Bennett, George Edmund	Haydock, William Henry	Owaby, Thomas Powell
Bishop, Samuel Addison	Henry, James Harrison	Peacock, Geo. Washington
Blair, Thomas Henry	Herrold, Ebenezer Wilson	Pfau, Louis John
Boulware, Milton Amos	Heofstra, Lake Anton	Purinton, Byron
Bowen, Alfred	Hollis, William Henry	Purinton, Stephen Lafayette
Bowman, George Melville	Leigh, Hugh Alexander	Reeve, Oscar Joel
Bradlee, Ezra Smith	Lensen, Theodore	Reinhart, Jacob Henry
Bray, George	Lightall, George Elisha	Reither, Jacob
Breyfogle, Charles Wesley	Livingston, William	Rice, Judson
Briggs, John Gregg	Mantz, Werner Henry	Righter, Francis Marion
Cash, Albert B	Marchres, Harvey Austin	Roberts, Return
Cate, Horatio Wilson	Martin, William Joseph	Robins, Charles Edwin
Chapman, Ald de Lyon	Marvin, Charles	Rowley, Albanus Beliger
Clinkenbeard, Kinzea Stone	McAfee, Andrew Finley	Rucker, James Toliver
Collins, Richard Everett	McClosky, Thomas	Rucker, Samuel Newton
Cory, Benjamin	McDougall, Giles Eggleston	Sargent, James Pattee
Cory, Benjamin Brodie	McKee, George Butterfield	Schemmel, Henry Leonhard
Emmerson, George	McMillan, John Gilmore	Secord, James K
Evans, Beece Thompson	McMurtry, William Sharpe	Sexton, William
Ferwell, Albert Bingham	McNeil, Albert Beebe	Shaw, Joseph Nathan
Field, Arthur Gilbert	Menzel, Robert	Shields, James Robert
Fisher, John Edward	Middleton, Joseph Traill	Shively, Reuben Otis
Flagg, Edwin Clarence	Montgomery, Thomas S	Simpson, William
Garnier, Thomas Ralph	Moore, Fred Walter	Sinclair, Robert B

Souders, James Newton	Stone, Thomas Jefferson	Walthall, Jeter Witt
Spitzer, Louis Amos	Sturges, Mahlon Beach	Weller, Henry Olp
Spring, H'y Mayer Newhall	Tisdale, William DeWitt	Wells, Proctor E
Steele, Davis	Tucker, John Henry	Wetmore, Alson L
Steiger, Louis Adolph	Vale, William	Williams, Edward
Stevenson, Richard	Wagener, Samuel Hopkins	Wright, Henry Ward—139.

MARK MASTER :

Caldwell, Samuel Bryant—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Kent, Delos Gilmore Mitchell, Henry Zearing Widney, John—3.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Arnold, Austin	Ellis, William Fred	Keith, John Matthew
Castle, Alexander Wilson	Finch, Philetus	Moore, Howard Chappelle—6.

EXCLUDED :

Mott, John—1.

DIED :

Jackson, William Andrew—1.

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....	138	Withdrawn.....	3
Exalted	2—140.	Susp. for non-payment of dues.	6
		Excluded.....	1
		Died	1
		Now borne upon the roll.....	139—140.

OYRUS CHAPTER, No. 15.

Yreka, Siskiyou County.

*Stated Meetings, second Tuesday in each month.***OFFICERS :**

Calvin Levi Gregory, <i>High Priest,</i>	George Dexter Butler, <i>Prin. Sojourner.</i>
Charles Amos Larison, <i>King,</i>	John Vance Brown, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
William Lorenzo Hobbs, <i>Scribe,</i>	George Washington Cooper, <i>Mast. 3d Vail.</i>
John Enoch Harmon, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Edward Montague Walbank, <i>Mast. 2d Vail.</i>
Louis Nordheim, <i>Secretary,</i>	Clarence Morton Prather, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Frederick Elijah Wadsworth, <i>Capt. of Host,</i>	Irving Levi Eddy, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests :

Daniel Beam,	Alonso Emery Baynes,	Curtis Hooper Pyle,
Abisha Swain,	John Morris Walbridge,	Henry David Robertson.
James Vance,	John William Bird,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS :

Autenrieth, Frederick Alex.	Cochrane, Rufus Mycajah	Gilbert, Thomas Henry
Beem, Martin Custer	Davidson, Jas. McDermott	Gillis, Hudson B
Beard, John Samuel	Davis, Alphonse G. Wash'n	Griesz, Peter Nicholas
Bradley, James Walker	Eddy, Norton Harvey	Horn, David
Caldwell, Daniel	Fabricius, Andrew Jackson	Jones, John Johnson

Jones, Thomas	Nutting, Charles Wilbur	Scheld, Louis Philip
Leland, William Lester	Orr, Oliver	Schwatka, Andrew Edward
Little, James Berkley	Parker, Alexander, Jr.	Shade, Reuben Alor
Long, James Franklin	Parrott, Charles Booth	Smith, Clarence Stewart
Martin, Brice McClendon	Pellet, Samuel	Smith, George
Martin, Frederick	Persons, Ammer	Tapscott, James Robert
Martin, Milton Ferney	Ream, Henry Belden	Travelli, Joseph
McBride, John Franklin	Rice, Joseph	Wadsworth, James Henry
McBride, John W	Richardson, James Albert	White, Samuel—64.
Nichols, Henry	Rostetter, George	

MARK MASTER :

Lincoln, Eric Theodore—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Amos, Thomas—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Doten, Josiah Wilson

Beed, David Craig—2.

EXCLUDED :

Moody, Willis Edward—1.

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....47	Withdrawn.....1
Exalted.....18	Susp. for non-payment of dues...2
Affiliated.....3—68.	Excluded.....1
	Now borne upon the roll.....64—68.

ST. JAMES CHAPTER, No. 16.

Placerville, El Dorado County.

*Stated Meetings, third Wednesday in each month.***OFFICERS :**

Geo. Huntington Burnham, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Reuben Kelly Berry, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
Henry Sylvester Morey, <i>King</i> ,	Thomas Fraser, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
George Washington McKee, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Maroo Varozza, <i>Master 3d Val</i> ,
John William Deuch, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Frederick Ferdinand Barsa, <i>Master 2d Val</i> ,
Charles Henry Weatherwax, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Andrew Thompson Culbertson, <i>Master V</i> ,
Shelley Inch, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Charles Caleb Pierce, <i>Chaplain</i> ,
	James Lambeth Weymouth, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests :

Frederick Ferdinand Barsa,	James Lambeth Weymouth,	Thomas Fraser,
Charles Fitzgerald Irwin,	Andrew Thom'n Culbertson,	Geo. Hunting'n Burnham.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS :

Alden, Samuel Jemison	Eaton, John William	Merrill, Charles Edward
Alderson, Richardson, Jr.	Fisher, John Adolphus	McLean, John Marlon
Avansino, Nicola	Hamel, Henry	Miller, John Wesley
Barlow, George Washington	Hume, James Bunyan	Plumado, Francis Hillair
Blair, John	Hoskins, Samuel Pierce	Van Voorhies, Ralph Josiah
Blakely, Alburn Jackson	Ingham, George Howard	White, Thomas Hibbard
Cello, Carlo Guisepppe	Loveless, Seth	Yeadon, William—37.
Crawford, John Jones	Markie, John Alexander	

Past High Priests:

Alexander Buchanan Brady, Edward Coleman, *P.G.H.P.*, Wm. Gordon Hudson,
 Reuben Leach, John Crisp Coleman, Theodore Henry Wilhelm.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Andrews, James	Gad, Bernard	Noonan, Patrick
Angove, John	Gluyas, James	Pears, Joseph
Barker, Charles	Granger, Samuel	Pettijean, Theophilus
Bennallaack, James	Griffin, George	Polglase, John
Berriman, Henry	Hand, William Dawson	Poole, William
Binkelman, David	Hand, William Henry	Price, Briscoe Hugh
Body, Wm. Christopher Dart	Harris, Stephen Michael	Rhatigan, John
Bowman, David De Kalb	Hill, George Washington	Richards, William
Oaddy, Richard	Hooper, James	Roland, Louis Jerome
Oatron, William	Husom, Andrew	Sanders, John
Clift, William	Johnston, Peter	Saxon, Edward
Coombs, William (1)	Jones, William C	Stein, Isidore
Coombs, William (2)	Kendig, Daniel	Stoddard, Alexander
Crocker, John Ross	Lawrence, John	Stoddard, Orlando
Deamer, William Elliott	Long, Stephen	Uphoff, Herman
Dodge, John Lewis	Maddrill, Charles Edward	Vincent, George
Dorsey, Samuel Packwood	Maynard, Stephen	Walker, Thomas Rolla
Douglass, William	Mitchell, Charles Henry	Werry, John
Dunston, William	Morehouse, Alphonso	Weissbein, Jacob
Elliott, Marcus Lindsey	Moore, Stephen	Whiting, Edward Houston
Finnie, Robert Dryden	Noel, Richard	—79.

MOST EXCELLENT MASTERS:

Davies, David Ingram, Thomas, Jr. Matteson, David Edwin—3.

PAST MASTER:

Woodmansee, Charles Scott—1.

MARK MASTER:

Tregidgo, Alf—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Roberts, Edmund Wilson—1.

DIED:

Ingram, Thomas—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....81	Susp. for non-payment of dues..... 1
	Died..... 1
	Now borne upon the roll.....79—81.

TRINITY CHAPTER No. 19.

Weaverville, Trinity County.

Stated Meetings, second and fourth Tuesdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

John McMurry, <i>High Priest,</i>	John Clifton Mason, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
William Spencer Lowden, <i>King,</i>	James Bowie, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
John William Philbrook, <i>Scribe,</i>	Betty Essick, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Peter M Paulsen, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Adolph Whitebread, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Champion W Smith, <i>Secretary,</i>	Frederick Zarli, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Detlef Hansen, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	John Henry Bremer, <i>Guard,</i>

Past High Priests:

John Clifton Mason, James Harvey, John McMurry.
 Wiley James Tinnin, *P. G. H. P.*

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Given, James Edgar	Harvey, Alfred	Raab, Louis Frederick
Given, William Cushing	Jackson, Harry Jean	Rowles, James
Haas, Gottlieb Frederick	Miller, Thomas Love	Smith, John Huron
Hackett, George J	Newman, Michael Roush	Van Matre, George
Hardin, David	Paulsen, Jacob	Vollmer, William—29.

PAST MASTERS:

Chamberlain, Paul Rehonard Shuford, John William—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Black, Peter Patterson—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report..... 30. Withdrawn..... 1
 Now borne upon the roll 29—30.

FRANKLIN CHAPTER, No. 20.

Oreville, Butte County.

Stated Meetings, first and third Thursdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

Albert Foster Jones, <i>High Priest,</i>	Warren Sexton, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
Thomas Wilson Serviss, <i>King,</i>	Emanuel Briggs Morgan, <i>Royal Arch Capt.,</i>
Marcus James Bigelow, <i>Scribe,</i>	William James, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Balsmond Parker, <i>Treasurer,</i>	George James Graham, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Samuel Samuel Simon, <i>Secretary,</i>	Jenkin Morgan, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
John Carleton Gray, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	George Medanich, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Charles Fayette Lott,	Patrick Ogilby Hundley,	Samuel Samuel Simon,
George Henry Crosette,	Milton James Green,	Thomas Boyd Hutchins,
John Carleton Gray,	George James Graham,	Emanuel Briggs Morgan.
Warren Sexton,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Braddock, David Washig'n	Faulkner, Thomas	Hawkin, Orwin Cullin
Brock, Joseph Herbert	Featherstone, William	Hendricks, Thomas Pollock
Brown, William Alexander	Fleming, Thomas Robert	Hutchins, John Sullivan
Buchanan, Phil. Goodrich	Gale, John	Jones, Peter William
Barroughs, Charles	Glass, Louis	Kitchen, Isaac Warren
Butler, Charles Frederick	Goodday, Louis	Ludlum, Thomas Badgley
Chappell, Wallace H	Grace, Robert Patrick	McDermott, Wm. Patrick
Dyer, George Washington	Gridley, Charles Edward	Melton, Leander McC.
Eckart, George Robert	Grubbs, Richard Champion	Meredith, John Robert
Fagan, Edward	Hartson, Charles Gardner	Mitchell, John Konstantine

Mould, William	Simon, Lewis Aaron	Taber, Floyd
Pence, Watt Manoaah	Sjoberg, Anders Gustaf	Waldeyer, Charles
Perkins, David King	Sparks, Ebenezer Morrison	White, Richard
Plum, Nathaniel Dunbar	Sperry, Willard Felton	Wickman, George Didrich
Powell, David	Sprague, Frederick Adams	Williams, Jacob
Presley, Allen	Stafford, William Henry	Willoughby, Nicholas
Schultz, John Fridrich	Stone, Lewis Charles	Woodworth, Homer Allen
Shaw, George Moore		—69.

PAST MASTERS :

Biggs, Edward Ernest	James, Thomas Morgan	Meyers, Lester Lewellen—3.
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EXCLUDED :

Bayles, David	Neel, Henry Harrison	Pratt, Enoch Henry—5.
Bowden, James Frederick	McDermott, Arthur	

DIED :

Davis, Edward Jenning	Ruggles, Elijah Star	Wells, Richard Henry—4.
Hewett, John Boughton		

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....77	Excluded.....	5
Affiliated.....1—78.	Died.....	4
	Now borne upon the roll.....	69—78.

SIERRA CHAPTER, No. 21.

Downieville, Sierra County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

Benjamin Pauly, <i>High Priest,</i>	Eliphalet Lewis Case, <i>Principal Sejourner,</i>
George O Martin, <i>King,</i>	Aden Denmire, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Lewis Mowry, <i>Scribe,</i>	Donald McNaughton, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Henry Haddon Parry, <i>Treasurer,</i>	James Edwin Berry, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
William Ryan, <i>Secretary,</i>	Lemuel Foss, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Samuel Curtis Stewart, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Valentine Hartling, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priest :William Thompson Luther, *P. G. H. P.***ROYAL ARCH MASONS :**

Aird, Alexander Fisher	Edmonds, Thomas	Thomas, Benjamin
Akers, Charles Duval	Goodwin, James Willis	Thompson, David Edward
Blohm, John August	Hanley, William Franz	Wayland, William Allen
Bradbury, John T	McGregor, James	West, John Thorrensues
Buech, August Christopher	Pilond, Edouard	Whitdey, David Livingston
Clute, John Howard	Roussan, Charles Adrian	Williams, Thomas—33.
Crooks, James Brown	St. Pierre, John	

MOST EXCELLENT MASTER :

Wehe, Frank Bumrill—1.

MARK MASTERS :

Meroux, Adolph Joseph

Smith, Stanley Andrew—2.

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....31 Now borne upon the roll.....33.
 Exalted..... 2—33.

PETALUMA CHAPTER, No. 22.

Petaluma, Sonoma County.

Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Marcus Dyatheka Goshen, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Herman Albert Heineken, <i>P. Sojourner</i> ,
Deodato Garinto Tomasini, <i>King</i> ,	James Lockridge Dinwiddie, <i>R. A. Capt.</i> ,
Frank Arlington Cromwell, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Lyman C Byce, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Ezekiel Denman, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Robert Henry Brown, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Platt Benedict Gilbert, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Wilder, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Samuel McGrew, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	James Singley, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests :

James Singley,	William Barnabas Haskell,	Isaac Samuel Crawford,
Benjamin Franklin Tuttle,	John Cavanagh,	Lyman C Byce,
Marcus Dyatheka Goshen,	Levi Hartzell Patty,	George Perkins Baxter

ROYAL ABOH MASONS :

Baur, John	Fairbanks, Joseph Frank	Pedrammini, Louis
Berri, Vittore	Falkner, Miles Henry	Poehlman, Conrad
Bihler, William	Grandi, Salvatore	Roseburgh, Allen
Bonetti, Luca	Hasbrouck, Hiram Brown	Sartori, Ignatio
Bowles, Joseph Martin	Haubrich, Leonard	Schroyer, Aaron
Brainerd, Henry Paine	Hill, William	Taft, Hiram Lafayette
Button, Isaac Vaile	Jacobs, Thomas Robert	Temple, Conrad
Chopard, Louis	Kahn, Achille	Tomasini, Louis
Codoni, Giuseppe Abbondio	Kuhale, Fred	Tomasini, Mateo
Collins, Franklin Miller	Lauck, Joseph Benjamin	Van Doren, John Suydam
Darden, William Henry	Lewis, John Bacon	Veale, William Roe
Denman, Frank Hardenb'gh	Lippitt, Edward Spalding	Wallace, Robert G
Dixheimer, John	McDonald, Gilbert	Weyhe, Paul Charles
Dreyfuss, Edward	Merritt, John	White, Josiah Howe
Fairbanks, Dolph Brice	Mitchener, Jonathan	Zartman, William
Fairbanks, Hiram Tolbert	Ormsby, John Harper	Zook, Francis Kurts—66.

WITHDRAWN :

Haney, Frank	Hesseline, Benjamin Loring	Whitney, Arthur Leslie—3.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Beggs, Thomas J	Guerra, Bonifacio	Walter, Isaac M
Crowley, Timothy Joseph	Rugg, William Hazen	Yeomans, Charles—6.

DIED :

Polk, Charles Ephraim—1.

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....76	Withdrawn.....	3
	Susp. for non-payment of dues.....	6
	Died	1
	Now borne upon the roll.....	66—76.

LA FAYETTE CHAPTER, No. 24.

Camptonville, Yuba County.

Stated Meetings, first Saturday after Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS :

William Bull Meek, <i>High Priest,</i>	Charles O'Hara, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
William Alexander Meek, <i>King,</i>	Richard Baker, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Eugene Beauharnais Covey, <i>Scribe,</i>	John Rufus Kennedy, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
James Arnott, <i>Treasurer,</i>	James Nelson, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
———, <i>Secretary,</i>	Charles McLellan, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
———, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Peter Russell, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priest:

William Bull Meek.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS :

Farley, George Sidney	Phillips, Thomas	Spencer, Stephen—15.
McPhee, Douglas Alex.	Smith, Henry	

DIED :

Calvin, David—1.

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....16	Died.....	1
	Now borne upon the roll	15—16.

GEORGETOWN CHAPTER, No. 25.

Georgetown, El Dorado County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday next succeeding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Ellison Lassell Crawford, <i>High Priest,</i>	William Simpson Hickman, <i>P. Sojourner,</i>
George Beattie, <i>King,</i>	John William Corrigan, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
George Washington Simpser, <i>Scribe,</i>	Massimino Pedrini, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Harvey Ellis Warren, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Thomas Z Armstrong, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
De Witt Clinton Benjamin, <i>Secretary,</i>	Benj. Franklin Shepherd, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
James Moon, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Tinsley Burton Epps, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

William Roush, James Moon, Ellison Lassell Crawford.
John Dodd Skinner,

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Bailey, Alcauder Alonzo Fleishman, Jacob Lagerson, Frederick
Bassi, Glosni Filippini, Rinaldo Pedrini, Cipriano—21.
Dunahoo, Wm. Washington

RESTORED:

Russell, Henry Warren—1.

DIED:

Russell, Henry Warren—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....18 Died..... 1
Exalted..... 3 Now borne upon the roll.....21—22.
Restored..... 1—22.

DELTA CHAPTER, No. 27.

Auburn, Placer County.

Stated Meetings, first Monday succeeding Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS:

John Gould Bisbee, *High Priest*, John Mathias Fulweiler, *Prin. Sojourner*,
William Bransen Lardner, *King*, Ira Lemuel Delano, *Royal Arch Captain*,
Gera Bretton Predmore, *Scribe*, Benjamin Dulaney Dunnam, *Mas. 3d Vail*,
Orrin Whitcomb Hollenbeck, *Treasurer*, Wm. Elias John Baughman, *Mas. 2d Vail*,
David Wlademer Lubeck, *Secretary*, Thomas Milton Todd, *Master 1st Vail*,
Robert Fleming Booney, *Capt. of the Host*, Thomas Stevenson, *Guard*.

Past High Priests:

Charles John Hellwig, John Gould Bisbee, John Mathias Fulweiler.
John Thompson Kinkade, Robert Fleming Rooney,

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Applegate, George Wallace Giadding, Albert James Mullen, William Henry
Bardwell, John Milton Grohs, Frederick Peter Phillips, James Penrarya M.
Barter, William Haenny, John Roberts, William Roberts
Birdsall, Fred Wheeler Hoppert, Christoph Henry Rusing, Edward S
Borland, James Hughes, David Griffith Taylor, Hosea
Connor, John Michael Martin, Charles Whittemore, Adrian Story
Curtis, Henry Chittendon Mears, Josiah —34.

RESTORED:

Martin, Charles—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....30 Now borne upon the roll.....34.
Exalted..... 3
Restored..... 1—34.

STOCKTON CHAPTER, No. 28.**Stockton, San Joaquin County.***Stated Meetings, fourth Tuesday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Eugene Lehe, <i>High Priest,</i>	Richard Thomas Earle, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
William Henry Stone, <i>King,</i>	Orin Staples Henderson, <i>R. A. Captain,</i>
Columbus Hurd, <i>Scribe,</i>	John Garwood, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Edward Richards Hedges, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Harry Nichols Baggs, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
John Milton LaRue, <i>Secretary,</i>	Gilbert Caleb Culver, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Henry Ephraim Robbins, <i>Capt. of Host,</i>	Charles Edward Howe, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Gilbert Burnett Claiborne,	Isaac Lothrop,	Benjamin Franklin Bagley,
Edward Richards Hedges,	Doran Lucius Campbell,	Arthur Morgan Noble,
Alexander Chalmers,	Henry Ephraim Robbins,	Eugene Lehe.
George Alex. McKensie,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Ashley, George Henry	Frost, Haller Coventry	Perkins, Charles Edward
Bachmann, Carl August	Fyfe, Joseph	Peters, Joseph D
Barber, Joseph Martin	Gersbacher, Joshua Barre	Phelps, Joseph Larose
Beckman, Henry	Graham, William	Prugh, Winfield Webster
Beede, Wm. Morris Stewart	Harrison, Norval	Rhodes, Charles Wise
Bennett, Paul Weatherby	Harrison, William Bruce	Rhodes, Wm. H. Harrison
Bonney, Charles Sumner	Harrold, Nathaniel Siggins	Robertson, Peter Sterling
Briggs, Sebra	Henderson, Milton Pierce	Roland, John Morgan
Brown, Phillip Thomas	Henery, Samuel	Rolerson, Benjamin Franklin
Buel, Park Abington	Hickox, Flavil Gaylord	Russell, Richard William
Bulson, Herman Rice	Jockers, David	Sanguinetti, Domenico
Caine, John	Jory, John	Shaw, Henry Coffin
Casey, William James	Kerr, Benjamin Eadie	Shurtleff, George Augustus
Castle, Christ'r Champlin	Keyes, Henry Calcutt	Smith, James Webb
Cavin, James	Keyes, William Henry	Smith, Wellington Treat
Cavis, Joseph William	Lane, Frank Ellis	Snow, William
Confer, Solomon Lytle	Langford, Benj. Franklin	Sperry, George Barker
Oorson, Charles Hartwell	Langridge, George Wash'n	Stewart, John Daniels
Craig, Howard Mills	Leitch, Archibald	Swain, Cornelius
Cross, Samuel Nelson	Little, William Jackson	Taylor, Charles Edwin
Cobb, Frank Dyckman	Mays, William Henry	Thompson, John William
Cotterell, William	McGuffick, William	Todd, Francis Walton
Cunningham, Thomas	McKinnon, Angus	Waterman, Solomon
Eldridge, Edward Duane	Milco, Nicola	Woods, John Newton
Fanning, Howard Malcombe	Morris, Ozias Manly	Woods, Samuel Mosely
Folsom, Gilman N	O'Brien, John Henry	West, Frederick Macondray
Fraser, Philip Barry	Orr, Nelson Mills	Yardley, John—102.
Friedberger, Arnold	Payne, Alfred George	

MOST EXCELLENT MASTERS:

McPherson, Joseph Kennon

Tindall, Pleasant Hay—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Abernethy, Wm. Alexander Currier, Guy Wilbur Sherman, Edwin Brown—5.
Barnes, Henry Stevens Keeler, William Henry

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Berry, Frederick T Misener, Norman Sumner—2.

DIED:

Batchelder, Benjamin Pierce Daniels, James Moore Scott, Edward—5.
Cavis, Joseph Mills Kirkland, William

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	106	Withdrawn.....	5
Exalted.....	7	Susp'd for non-payment of dues..	2
Affiliated.....	2—114.	Died.....	5
		Now borne upon the roll.....	102—114.

MANZANITA CHAPTER, No. 29.

North San Juan, Nevada County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday after Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS:

John Storer McBride, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Henry Bailey Fuller, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
Frederick William Bank, <i>King</i> ,	John Quick, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Albert James Wood, <i>Scribe</i> ,	William Dunning, <i>Master 3d Val</i> ,
John German, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Ashley Smith Bigelow, <i>Master 2d Val</i> ,
Patrick Henry Butler, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Charles Scheurman, <i>Master 1st Val</i> ,
John Trood, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Joseph Gordon Dickson, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

John Ambrose Seely, John Storer McBride.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Allison, Peter	Harris, Thomas Voel	Morris, Frank Napoleon
Atwater, Henry	Helwig, John Henry	Osborn, Thomas Israel
Bell, Francis Hiram	Henderson, Duncan	Quick, Paul
Billing, John	Hiscox, Irving Menner	Redington, James
Bristow, William	Huff, William	Rogers, Joseph D
Buhring, Harry Herman	James, William David	Rogers, William James
Clymo, Francis	Jepsen, Christian Otto	Rossen, Rasmus Peterson
Cull, Henry	Jones, John Richard	Stone, John
Cunard, James Henry	Lancaster, Charles Edward	Thomas, Richard
Freeman, Thomas	Llewellyn, Daniel	Trood, William
Gilbert, Josiah Stevens	McIntire, James Lamberton	Wood, Frank Merton
Harris, Thomas	McMurray, Robert	Westerfield, William Jackson

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RESTORED:

Westerfield, William Jackson—1. Spooner, George Cummings Netter, Nathan—2.

DIED:

Davis, William Morgan—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	51	Withdrawn.....	2
Restored.....	1—52.	Died.....	1
		Now borne upon the roll.....	49—52.

NAPA CHAPTER, No. 30.**Napa, Napa County.***Stated Meetings, second and fourth Mondays in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Albert Moore Knapp, <i>High Priest,</i>	Charles Ray Gritman, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
Frederick N Giles, <i>King,</i>	Charles Henry Starkweather, <i>R. A. Capt.,</i>
Nelson Marble, <i>Scribe,</i>	Daniel Sterling Kyser, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Robert Crouch, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Henry Louis Amstutz, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
James Baunty Stevens, <i>Secretary,</i>	Max J Crow, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
James Mason, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Amos Smith Knapp, <i>Guard.</i>

Fast High Priests:

Henry Hay Knapp, <i>P.G.H.P.,</i>	William Bradford,	Albert Moore Knapp.
Robert Crouch,	Charles Ray Gritman,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Bustelli, Gottardo	Haas, David Leopold	Mecklenberg, Joseph
Davis, James Lincoln	Hawks, John	Miller, Francis Ashbury
Davis, Morrow Henry	Hoadley, Horace James	Robinson, Joseph Lilburn
Elles, Theodore	Holden, Samuel Emery	Shurtleff, Benjamin
Epley, Thomas Henry	Horstmeier, Henry Conrad	Sterling, Robert Henry
Fisher, William Frederick	Hottel, Eli Washington	Swift, John Jackson
Gardner, Alden Monroe	Johnston, Finis Ewing	Walker, Calvin Bowers
Gardner, James Buchanan	Manasse, Emanuel	Zollner, John Ferdinand—40.
Grossman, Adolphus Her'n	McCollum, William John	

WITHDRAWN:

Briggs, Sebra	Johnson, William Thomas	Landecker, Sally David—4.
Jepsen, Jacob		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Lasher, Abner Erastus—1.

DIED:

Haas, Martin Luther	Parks, Daniel Burrell—2.
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RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....41	Withdrawn..... 4
Exalted..... 5	Susp. for non-payment of dues.. 1
Affiliated..... 1—47.	Died..... 2
	Now borne upon the roll.....40—47.

MARTINEZ CHAPTER, No. 31.**Martinez, Contra Costa County.***Stated Meetings, Monday of or preceding Full Moon in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Lewis Cass Wittenmyer, <i>High Priest,</i>	William Sewell Wells, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
William John Douglas, <i>King,</i>	William Henry Buckley, <i>Royal Arch Capt.,</i>
Simon Blum, <i>Scribe,</i>	Albert Edmund Blum, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Isidor Weiss, <i>Treasurer,</i>	James Rankin, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
George Atwood Sherman, <i>Secretary,</i>	George T Bush, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Chas. Samuel Cousins, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Gabriel Blum, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Lewis Cass Wittenmyer,

William John Douglas.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Alexander, Geo. Edmund	Fernandez, Bernardo	Rhoads, John Charles
Aitken, James	Gamble, James	Ridgway, Frazier
Baldwin, Barry	Gray, James	Sanford, Farmer
Black, Joseph	Griffin, Thomas	Swihart, George
Borach, Bernard	Guy, John W	Turner, Benjamin Coffin
Boyd, John Wheaton	Hinman, Justus Michael	Turrell, George William
Brown, Samuel	Jones, Joseph Philip	Wagner, Theodore Fred C
Burpee, Winfield Scott	Lucas, John Goncaloes	Wagy, Elmer B
Catlett, Theodore Scott	McCarger, Philander	Walker, James Tormay
Chase, Eli Robbins	Pollock, Alexander Fletcher	Wiley, George Adrian
Edwards, Hugh Pugh	Parkinson, Manuel Casada	Williams, Isaac—46.
Evans, Hugh		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Baker, Carlin Clark

Wolford, Leo Hugh

Miller, Charles Edward—4.

DeWitt, James Madison

DIED:

Joye, Edward Vernon

Zeck, August Frederick—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....48	Susp. for non-payment of dues.. 4
Exalted..... 3	Died..... 2
Affiliated. 1—52.	Now borne upon the roll.....46—52.

LOS ANGELES CHAPTER, No. 33.*Los Angeles, Los Angeles County.**Stated Meetings, second Monday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Carl Frederick August Last, <i>High Priest,</i>	John Goldsworthy, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
Edward Anthony Preuss, <i>King,</i>	William Augustus Hammel, <i>R. A. Capt.,</i>
Cyrus Willard, <i>Scribe,</i>	Robert Evan McGregor, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Charles Adelbert Teele, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Simon Oshen, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Nathan Strassburger, <i>Secretary,</i>	William Thomas Jeffries, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
William Henry Riggs, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Peter Leon Ducaase, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Abraham Wolf Edelman,

George Frederick McLellan, John Goldsworthy,

Samuel Prager,

Ansel Melen Bragg,

Carl Frederick August Last,

James Seth Crawford,

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Ballade, Pascual	Brown, Thomas Bruen	Cuddy, Thomas James
Barnett, Eli Elsa	Buffum, William	Denker, Andrew Henry
Barnett, John Zachariah	Burns, James Frank	Ducommon, Charles Louis
Baruch, Berthold	Chandler, Burdett	Eyrand, Emanuel
Baruch, Jacob	Cohn, Benjamin	Eckert, Robert

Ens, Charles Augustus	Levy, Michael	Purvis, John Robert
George, Ambrose Franklin	Levy, Eli Julius	Rowan, Thomas Edwin
Glass, James Malcolm	Long, Jeremiah	Ryan, William Andrew
Gross, Frederick	Marsh, Frank	Shaw, Thomas William
Griggs, William Francis	Mahoney, John James	Skinner, John Maxwell
Grymes, George Anderson	McFarland, Walter	Smith, O Edgar
Hewett, Eldridge Edward	Meyberg, Moritz	Solomon, Heyman
Hinds, George	Meyer, Samuel	Spence, Edward Fallis
Iaiger, Lewis John Fred'k	Morris, Moritz	Scheerer, Conrad
Illich, Jerry	Moore, Walter Scott	Waite, Earl Sherman
Jacoby, Herman	Neitzky, Ernest	Weldon, Arthur
Lawrence, John	Philbin, John Andrew	Weston, Benjamin S
Loew, Jacob	Platt, Charles Decatur	Wickersham, Isaac—71.

MARK MASTER :

Morris, John Wood—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Lambie, William Thomas	Russell, Henry	Smith, Henry Martin—5.
Mendelson, Morris Aaron	Ryan, Michael Edward	

DIED :

Cook, George Washington

Lewis, Henry—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report	75	Susp. for non-payment of dues..	5
Exalted.....	3—78.	Died.....	2
		Now borne upon the roll.....	71—78.

ALTURAS CHAPTER, No. 34.**Quincy, Plumas County.***Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

_____, <i>High Priest,</i>	Arthur Walter Keddle, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
James Henry Whitlock, <i>King,</i>	Daniel Robertson Smith, <i>R. A. Captain,</i>
_____, <i>Scribe,</i>	Asher Cohn, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
William Thomas Byers, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Thomas Corydon Lee, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Joshua Hutchins Variel, <i>Secretary,</i>	_____, <i>Master 1st Vail.</i>
_____, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Samuel Taylor, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Benjamin Wilcox Barnes,	Joshua Hutchins Variel,	John Daniel Goodwin.
Thomas Alonzo McFarland,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Dwinelle, Aaron Alonzo	Mitchell, John Ephraim	Parsons, Edward Ira
Hendel, Charles William	Meylert, Gordon W.	Thomas, John Hiram
Meikle, William	Nevil, John	Thorpe, Joseph Henry—20.

DIED :

Dolly, Otis Bryles

Rupert, Charles—2.

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....	22	Died.....	2
		Now borne upon the roll.....	20—22.

NAVAL CHAPTER, No. 35.

Vallejo, Solano County.

Stated Meetings, second Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Patrick Haley, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Henry Daniel Lazelle, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
John Wilton Winton, <i>King</i> ,	John Henry Sailor, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
William Henry Clark, <i>ScrVie</i> ,	George Rounds, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
John Brownlie, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	George Pomroy Flaisted, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Charles Daly, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Charles Anthony Gendreau, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Jonathan Bond, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Henry Bruce, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Jno. Mills Browne, <i>P.G.H.P.</i>	Roland Jackson McDaniel,	Joseph Bullock Ooghlan,
Mattison Myers,	Christian Theo. B. Hallin,	Walter Duncan Anderson,
Osgood Hilton,	Benjamin Benas,	Henry Daniel Lazelle,
Charles Daly,	George Rounds,	David Forney Beveridge.
James Boney,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Aden, John Remmers	Good, Harry Carlton	Rae, James
Aden, Melchert Remmers	Hall, George Henry	Robinson, Jno. Buckingham
Aden, Remer Joh'n Rem's	Harrier, Daniel Webster	Rothenbush, Peter
Andrews, William	Harrier, Louis Garibaldi	Russell, William Abbott
Bertoseky, Alex. Bertsch	Hawthorne, Charles Ralph	Rutherford, David
Butler, Ira Mortimer	Henderson, Orrington Lunt	Savage, Thomas
Butler, Orrin Hartwell	Hilborn, Samuel Greeley	Sides, George Elvin
Bergwall, Gustaf Adolph	Itrich, Frans Antone	Shillingsburg, William
Basford, Fordham Clay	Johnson, Otto	Small, Frederick Augustus
Chandler, Robert	Kemper, Melchoir	Smith, John Daniel
Clausen, August Ernst	Lister, Benjamin	Thompson, John
Drake, Frank	McLees, Edmond	Titcomb, John Locke
Duncan, John Kennedy	McPike, Andrew Jackson	Toothaker, Harvey Puring'n
Evans, John	Much, George Washington	Topley, James
Farley, Dallas Jones	Mugridge, Charles Franklin	Voorhies, Albert Parsons
Farnham, John	Nagle, Richard Wellington	Wall, Charles John
Fassett, Thomas Odeon	O'Hara, John Henry	Warford, Sylvester
Faust, John	Passallaqua, Bennaditto	Webster, Henry John
Ferrier, Francis	Peck, George	Williamson, John Marshall
Ford, John Harris	Perkins, Con Marrast	Wilson, George Wilkins
Ford, Harry Clay	Perryman, John Thomas	Wright, Martin Jeremiah
Frey, John	Powell, Abraham	—57.

WITHDRAWN:

Gottig, Theodor—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Spencer, John Abram—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	83	Withdrawn.....	1
Exalted	4	Susp. for non-payment of dues...	1
Affiliated.....	2—89.	Now borne upon the roll.....	87—89.

OAKLAND CHAPTER, No. 36.

Oakland, Alameda County.

Stated Meetings, first and third Wednesdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

Frederick Low Krause, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Frank Bequette Rodolph, <i>Pr. Sojourner</i> ,
James Bestor Merritt, <i>King</i> ,	John J Newsom, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
William Henry Craig, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Francis Henry E. O'Donnell, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Charles Dexter Pierce, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Robert Edgar, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
John William McClymonds, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Wm. Henry Searls Owen, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Eugene Cormeny, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Charles Edwin Gillett, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Benjamin Akerly,	George Edwin Whitney,	William Frank Pierce,
Nathan W Spaulding, <i>P.G.H.P.</i> ,	Frank Howard Brooks,	Charles Nelson Fox,
Walter Laidlaw,	Charles Edwin Gillett,	Webb Nicholson Pearce,
William Addison Walter,	Samuel Thornburn Black,	Edw'd Harrison Morgan,
Frank Worthy Cushing,	Amasa Wright Bishop,	Alvah Kitttridge Clark,
James Todd Gardiner,	John Wm. McClymonds,	Joseph Fountain Chandler.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Allardt, George Frederick	Ohittenden, Henry Hatfield	Dynes, William Henry
Ames, Joseph Parker	Clift, Frederick Charles	Eadon, Moses
Antisell, Thomas Murphy	Collier, John Henry	Edgar, William James
Archibald, Francis Albert	Collins, David Edward	Ellis, William
Austin, James Davis	Concanon, William Norton	Elliot, Washington
Ayers, William Harrison	Cordes, Paul Henry	Ely, Ralph Asahel
Baker, Alfred Septimus	Cox, George Washington	Emery, Joseph Stickney
Ball, Ambrose Everett	Craft, Richard Carson	Evers, John Henry
Banks, Charles Wells	Craib, William	Everson, Wallace
Bartlett, Pliny	Craig, Homer Alexander	Ferguson, Henry James
Beeby, Robert John	Cramer, Adolph Ed. Henry	Fox, George W
Belden, Henry Keney	Crellin, John	French, Robert Elsworth
Bette, William Michael	Crowley, Dennis David	Frick, George William
Bice, John	Cumming, William George	Glasscock, John Raglin
Blood, William Frank	Cunningham, Parlan R	Gifford, William M
Bones, Samuel West	Cushing, John	Gilpin, Zachery Taylor
Brabban, Dixon	Dalton, Henry Phillip	Goodman, George
Bradley, John Tilford	Davis, Dwight Lucian	Gottshall, Louis
Bragdon, Edmund, Jr.	Davis, William Rude	Greenhood, Jacob
Breed, Arthur Hastings	Deaner, Hiram Franklin	Gray, Roscoe Spaulding
Brooke, Charles, Sr.	Degan, Ludolph Phillip	Gunn, Adam Francis
Brown, Lewis Henry	De Golia, George Ellis	Hale, William Elmer
Burnham, Charles Franklin	Delger, Edward Frederick	Hamilton, William Thomas
Burrell, Alfred William	Delger, Frederick	Handy, Brayton Everington
Campbell, Alexander	Dingee, William Jackson	Handy, Lucian Harvey
Campbell, Fred'k McLean	Dobbins, Hugh Hollis	Haven, Charles Dwight
Camron, William Walker	Dodge, Ezekiel Goddard	Hayes, Daniel Edward
Chamberlain, O Sylvester	Du Bois, Sumner Victor	Henley, James Brainard
Chappellet, Felix	Dunbar, Sylvanus Gilman S.	Henninger, Frederick

Herbert, Henry Vanderveer,	Miller, James	Ebinson, Edward Constant
Heron, Ernest Alvah	Miller, Robert Willis	Russell, Thomas Bartlett
Hersey, Edgar Amos	Miller, William Henry	Rutherford, Charles Board'n
Hewes, Charles Leslie	Momyer, Henry E	Samsen, Martin Meyer
Hewes, Charles Wesley	Monnet, Louis	Schuller, Antonius
Hill, William Henry	Moore, Albert Alphonzo	Shaffer, Louis
Horton, George Wallace	Mould, Richard Inkerman	Shattuck, Francis Kittredge
Hume, Joseph	Morris, Moses	Sherman, Edwin Allen
Hyde, Marcus Darius	Mueller, Herman Emanuel	Shorey, Albert
Ingersoll, William Bowker	Munson, Arthur King	Siegfried, John Christian
Kendall, Alpheus	Nichols, Ralph Kenniston	Skinner, Isaac Ash
Kerr, Archie Fullerton	Nordhausen, Ernest Albert	Smilie, Robert
Kerr, Louis Carmick	Noy, William H	Smith, George Henry
Kercheval, John Hereford	Osgood, Ernest J	Smith, William Clay
Knight, Frederick Wales	Ott, August Lewis	Southard, William Freeman
Koser, Newton Alexander	Palmer, Chas. Theo. Hart	Stewart, Robert
Krytser, Charles John	Palmer, Henry Austin	Stephenson, John Calvin
Kutz, George Fitzgerald	Pardee, Enoch Homer	Stone, Franklin Byron
Lamoureaux, Phyllis Henry	Parish, William Henry	Taft, Henry Clay
Lancaster, Joseph	Patterson, A. L. Orandall	Taggard, Grantham Israel
Leckie, Robert Stevenson	Patterson, Edw'd Mortimer	Taylor, Albert Miles
Lee, John	Patterson, George	Thomson, Arthur Dalliba
Lees, David Todd, Jr.	Payne, Frank Howard	Todd, James Hamilton
Lentell, James	Perkins, George Clement	Tubbs, Hiram
Lightner, Henry P	Phillips, John Waterman	Twombly, Charles Henry
Littler, Oliver Wilson	Pinkerton, Thomas Hamil	Upham, Isaac
Logan, Oliver Cunningham	Plunkett, James California	Veitch, William Thomas
Long, Charles Stewart	Powell, Howell Aubrey	Von Hirsch, Sementi Julius
Lord, Charles Reuben	Price, William Clay	Wadsworth, Henry
Loring, George York	Prouse, Charles	Walton, Jesse
Magill, Arthur Edward	Rasmussen, Hans	Watson, William Callaghan
Marsellus, Edwin P	Raymond, Charles Seward	Weilbye, Julius Lars
Marr, Archibald Campbell	Redding, Albert Putnam	Weilbye, William Hansen
Mau, Charles Frederick	Reckard, Chas. Lockwood	Westover, Clinton
Mausy, Byron	Redington, Charles Henry	Williams, John
McClain, Joseph	Reichling, Francis	Wilson, John Charles
McComb, Edmund	Reichling, Lewis Frank	Wilson, William
McGuire, Jesse Milton	Reinstadler, François	Wines, Charles Latham
Meade, Calvert	Roach, James Vincent	Winchester, Ebenezer—233.
Metcalf, George Dickson		

PAST MASTER :

Templeton, James—1.

RESTORED :

Miller, William Henry—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Cary, Amzi Briar	Meek, Horry Wert	Shiman, John Louis
Clayton, William Burt	Meek, William Elsworth	Stone, Andrew L
Bush, Robert Edwin	McGillivray, William Donald	Stone, Egbert Barker
Hawes, Benjamin Cowell	Ross, Harvey Lee	Warner, Franklin—13.
Landers, William John		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Antonello, Joseph Sabartine	McGillivray, Joseph	Williams, Nicholas
Bennett, Thomas	Pratt, George Ohlde	Wonderlich, John Peter—8.
Miller, William Noble	Ward, Robert T	

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	233	Withdrawn.....	13
Exalted.....	14	Susp. for non-payment of dues..	8
Affiliated.....	6	Now borne upon the roll.....	233—254.
Restored.....	1—254.		

SILOAM CHAPTER, No. 37.

Colfax, Placer County.

Stated Meetings, second and fourth Tuesdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

Jacob Hart Neff, <i>High Priest</i> ,	James Barrows Hayford, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
John Butler, <i>King</i> ,	Patrick Henry Maginn, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
Leopold Lobner, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Seland Cadjew, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Henry Disque, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Joseph Spencer Quire, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Morris Lobner, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Swift Makins, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Darius Ingersoll, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	William Barrows Hayford, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Jacob Hart Neff, <i>P. G. H. P.</i> ,	Joseph Spencer Quire,	Morris Lobner.
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ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Baker, William Mandeville	Heuser, George Henry	Rabe, August Louis
Oahill, Thomas	Johnson, Gustavus Adolphus	Robie, Ira Allen
Cloudman, Octavius King	King, Thornton	Rogers, Joseph
Coffin, Isaac Tibbits	Lakamp, John Henry	Schmidt, Georg Wilhelm
Davis, Abraham	Lohman, Peter	Swenson, Samuel Edward
Dysart, John	Nichols, Thomas Jefferson	Tolman, Rufus Jenkins
Ells, Henry	Perkins, William Stickney	Voas, Louis—33.

MARK MASTERS:

Knapp, James Beede	Smith, Albert Halliday—2.
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DIED:

Boden, Thomas—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	34	Died.....	1
		Now borne upon the roll.....	33—34.

SANTA CRUZ CHAPTER, No. 38.

Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz County.

Stated Meetings, second and fourth Wednesdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

Thompson Wilson Drullard, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Peter Richmond Hinds, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
Frank George Menefee, <i>King</i> ,	Cathers Drummond Folsom, <i>R. A. Capt.</i> ,
Benjamin Anthony Plant, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Edward Swift West, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Samuel Arnold Bartlett, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Robert James Baxter, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
William Henry Bias, <i>Secretary</i> ,	George Staffier, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Bernard Wise, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Lawrence Lorenzen, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Peter Richmond Hinds, Louis Schwartz, William W Gamble.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Adams, Edward Francis	Dutton, James Lewis	Lincoln, Charles Henry
Basey, John Clinton	Effey, Robert	Mathews, Theodore Vinton
Chace, John Rufus	Ely, William	Porter, William Ray
Chamberlain, Phillander	Fagan, Pierce Bye	Russell, William
Christofanini, Antone	Fitch, Edwin	Sullivan, John Thomas
Coope, John Frederick	Fast, John Henry Adolph	Thompson, Richard
Coult, John Howard	Gilchrist, Adam	Wiley, Henry
Daubenbiss, John	Haslam, William Douglass	Williams, Edward Lawrence
Dutton, James Marshall	Kron, Henry Frederick	Wilkinson, Bob't Middlemare

—41.

DIED:

McKiernan, Charles Drennan, Samuel Vass, George—3.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	40	Died.....	3
Exalted	3	Now borne upon the roll.....	41—44.
Affiliated	1—44.		

DONNER CHAPTER, No. 39.

Truckee, Nevada County.

Stated Meetings, first and third Mondays in each month.

OFFICERS:

William Harrison Prouty, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Joseph Dearborn Hilton, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
William Ferdinand Wilke, <i>King</i> ,	Daniel McPhetres, <i>R. A. Captain</i> ,
William Rufus Spalding, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Francis Champion, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
George Schaffer, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Samuel Parker, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Charles Fayette McGlashan, <i>Secretary</i> ,	George Washington Giffen, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Irving Francis Harvey, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	William Henry Hill, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Charles Fayette McGlashan, Joseph Marzen, Jr., William Harrison Prouty.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Adolph, Julius	Joessink, Bernardus Hendr's Pendleton, John William
Bacheider, Jesse Howard	Johnson, Hogan
Bernardi, Julius De	Lewisson, Jacob Lewis
Burckhalter, Walter Marion	Luxenburger, Michael
Dunn, Henry George	Mayer, Pius
Dunster, George William	McDonald, John Joseph
Graham, Andrew Jackson	Meloche, Frank Tancred
Growling, Joseph	Micander, John
Hutchinson, John T	Millberg, George Skiffenton
	Young, Lamertine Wilson.

—40.

PAST MASTER :

Sheriff, Henry—1.

RESTORED :Giffen, George Washington Josink, Bernardus Hendricus Luxenburger, Michael
—3.**WITHDRAWN :**

Thirkield, Frank Lytle

Weed, Abner—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Miller, Howard Philips

Noyes, John—2.

DIED :

Ellen, Elle

Kruger, William Henry

Hoy, James Wellington—3.

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report	35	Withdrawn.....	2
Exalted	9	Susp. for non-payment of dues....	2
Restored.....	3—47.	Died.....	3
		Now borne upon the roll	40—47.

RED BLUFF CHAPTER, No. 40.*Red Bluff, Tehama County.**Stated Meetings, first and third Saturdays in each month.***OFFICERS :**

Nathaniel Merrill, <i>High Priest,</i>	Robert Hurd Blossom, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
Solomon David Schoenfeld, <i>King,</i>	Henry Charles Richart, <i>Royal Arch Capt.,</i>
Sidney Allen Griggs, <i>Scribe,</i>	Sylvanus Everett Murphy, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
William Brower Cahoon, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Henry Erasmus Bidwell, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Elias Delevan Gardner, <i>Secretary,</i>	Ancil Brown, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Guy Horatio Chase, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Samuel Lewis, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests :

John Clements,

Nathan Crocker,

Nathaniel Merrill.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS :

Alexander, Charles Graham	Culverwell, Richard Steven	Howell, Thomas Newton
Alvord, Charles Theodore	DeHaven, Jos. Lapsley G'd	Jelly, Frank Lee
Ballard, Curtis Durkee	Duhig, Louis James	Johnson, John Meyer
Barham, James Lewis	Eddy, William	Kimball, Gorham Gates
Bierce, Roderick Henry	Ellison, John F	Mayhew, Horace Allen
Boole, Frank Arthur	Elmore, Robert Hoyle	McCoy, Leo Lewis
Brattan, John Michael	Epperson, Jacob Haney	McKeller, Archibald D
Brown, Augustus Frank	Finnell, Simpson	Montgomery, Will Thomas
Cameron, James Strong	Fish, Charles Erskine	Morgan, George Edwin
Campbell, Charles Abijah	Foster, Charles Frederick	Nethercott, Robert
Campbell, Remembrance H.	Fowle, Cyrus Daniel	Olmstead, Myron
Champlin, George	Gedney, David Wetmore	Parent, Charles Edwin
Champlin, Lester	Healey, Lucien Bonaparte	Peden, Albert Oliver
Coffman, Pelham Howard	Houghton, Francis	Pouillet, Eduard

Puls, George	Skedd, William Richard	West, John M
Radcliff, Osmond	Stout, George Homer	Wiendieck, Herman Henry
Rawson, Hiram Allen	Swain, Theodore Slevin	Willard, George Kettridge
Ryan, Thomas E	Tompson, Joseph Moore	Wilson, Henry Clay
Schroeder, Aug. G. Barnhart	Tyler, Jonathan Cooper	Wilson, Henry Freeborn
Schoenfeld, Jeremiah	Vestal, George Wems	Winsel, Eli Achum—76.
Schubert, Eugene Washing'n Ward,	Ephraim Harlow	

PAST MASTERS :

Matthews, Francis Thomas

Pierce, Ryan—2.

DIED :

Roberts, James Bartle—1.

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....73	Died.....1
Exalted.....4—77.	Now borne upon the roll.....76—77.

TEMPLE CHAPTER, No. 41.

Watsonville, Santa Cruz County.

Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS :

James Martin Rodgers, <i>High Priest</i> ,	William George Hudson, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
James Ingham, <i>King</i> ,	John Herbert McEwen, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
Hans Peter Brassel, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Bela Sargent Andrews, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Alexander Lewis, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	George Arthur Trafton, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
George Wellington Sill, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Michael Gagnon, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
James Waters, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Henry Edgar West, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests :

James Martin Rodgers,	William George Hudson,	John Nelson Bease.
James Waters,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS :

Aldrich, David Metcalf	Kilburn, Frederick Augustus	Porter, Warren Reynolds
Bixby, Aaron William	Linscott, James Austin	Rodgers, William Donelson
Brewington, Geo. Hamilton	Lubbock, Clinton Henry	Rea, James William
Chalmers, Alex. Barker	Mauk, Franklin Edwin	Rea, Samuel
Clark, Edgar Lewis	McCoy, William Perry	Seaman, George
Fowler, Charles	Moffat, Thomas	Storm, Peter
Herold, Adam	Morris, Moses	Trafton, John Edmund
Hursh, George Washington	Mynatt, Elvin Farran	Wangerin, Joseph David
Johnson, Lyman Beard	Porter, James Thomas	—39.

RESTORED :

Aldrich, David Metcalf—1.

DIED :

Greenbaum, William

Phelan, Martin

Pine, Charles Andrew—3.

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....41	Died.....3
Restored.....1—42.	Now borne upon the roll.....39—42.

CHICO CHAPTER, No. 42

Chico, Butte County.

Stated Meetings, second and fourth Mondays in each month.

OFFICERS:

Eugene Erastus Canfield, <i>High Priest,</i>	Edw'd Tillotson Reynolds, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
William Henry Miller, <i>King,</i>	John Rodney Gleeson, <i>Royal Arch Capt.,</i>
William Thomas, <i>Scribe,</i>	Charles Alexander March, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Charles Faulkner, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Louis Harrison McIntosh, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Robert Emmet Warren, <i>Secretary,</i>	William Leroy Bradley, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Thomas Bicknell, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Samuel Hunter Montgomery, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Robert Emmet Warren,	John Rose Robinson,	Sam'l Hunter Montgomery.
Charles Faulkner,	Edward Tillotson Reynolds,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Appelgate, William James	Garner, John Mortimer	Papst, Albert
Barnard, Timothy Henry	Graves, Fountain Columbus	Papst, Charles James
Batchelder, Hiram Treat	Guynn, Pleasant Marion	Patterson, Jacob
Bell, Hugh Thomas	Hansen, Anders Matthias	Peake, William Humphrey
Boucher, Josiah	Hansen, Lauritz	Petersen, Geo. Fred'k Chris'n
Boucher, Josiah, Jr.	Hartford, John William	Reavis, William Andrew
Boydston, James Knox Polk	Haughton, Jos. Richardson	Ryant, Isaac Whittemore
Bradley, William Leroy	Hibbard, Albert A	Schulze, Oscar Carl
Carney, George Washington	Holloway, James Thomas	Schooler, William Henry
Chapman, Augustus Harley	Jones, Samuel	Shand, George
Clark, Oliver Lovell	King, William Duncan	Snowden, James William
Orew, Alexander Hill	Lausen, Henry Dattlef	Stansbury, Oscar
Cassick, Barney	Linn, W Birney	Steuben, Henry William
Davison, James	Lothrop, Matthew Hale	Stevens, Warren Charles
Dawson, Ezra Robert	Mack, William Edwin	Turner, John Calvin
Dugger, James Madison	March, Jefferson Davis	Warren, Cyrus Greenleaf
Durham, Wm. Wellington	McFadyen, Archibald	Wessman, John August
Elliott, Wesley Stockwell	Mitchell, James Ewing	Weston, Jubal
Evans, Aaron	Montgomery, J.W. Bradford	Wetherbee, Ira Alston
Evans, Sylvester Kirkwood	Montgomery, Park	White, Harry Darius
Freeman, Frank	Morrissey, Thomas Francis	Williams, John Harvey—76.

WITHDRAWN:

Ormsby, John McQuade—1.

DIED:

Wilson, William Simpson Brice—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....72	Withdrawn..... 1
Exalted 6—78.	Died..... 1
	Now borne upon the roll .....76—78.

SOLANO CHAPTER, No. 43.

Suisun, Solano County.

Stated Meetings, first Saturday succeeding Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS :

Freeman Hunnewell, <i>High Priest,</i>	Oscar P Dobbins, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
Jerome Bonaparte Richardson, <i>King,</i>	Albert Alexander Dickie, <i>R. A. Captain,</i>
Jacob Henry Bauman, <i>Scribe,</i>	Edgar Ernest Long, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Eben Dorman Perkins, <i>Treasurer,</i>	John Danielson, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Abraham Farr Hitchcock, <i>Secretary,</i>	Jas. Wm. Bryson Reynolds, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
John Adam Mettler, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	William Gustavus Davison, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests :

Stephen Kirby Nurse,	Eben Dorman Perkins,	Albert Levi Reed,
Jerome Bonaparte Richardson,	Albert Alexander Dickie,	William Wolf.
Allen Charles Miller,	Freeman Hunnewell,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS :

Blum, Jacob	Gates, James Walker	Reeves, Wm. Wym Redman
Bronson, Howard Cuyler	Hacke, Henry Frederick	Robbins, Buel Drinkwater
Brown, William Burrell	Harris, Henry	Robinson, John
Buck, William Leonard	Hatch, Anthony Timothy	Rush, Benjamin Franklin
Buck, Ingalls Kenney	Henderson, Frederick Lewis	Stewart, Edgar L
Capell, James Smith	Hoyt, Julian Buel	Stewart, Samuel
Cerkel, Wolf	Kelly, Kirk Etna	Stitt, James Warren
Cohn, Jacob	Leithhead, James	Stephens, William Bell
Dellinger, Ambrose Craig	Losee, Charles Henry	Stevenson, Andrew Vincent
Dinkelspiel, Morris	Miller, Meredith Rains	Stevenson, Charles Albert
Downing, William Green	Oberti, Joseph	Tomassini, Guelno
Emigh, Thomas Powell	Okell, Edward Joseph	Weinberger, Marcus
Eversole, Henry	Parker, William Boyd	Wilson, Thomas Stanley
Fraser, John Robert	Beeves, Columbus Palestine	Woods, John—59.
Frank, Ferdinand		

DIED :

Wendell, Joseph Fairbanks—1.

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....60	Died.....1
	Now borne upon the roll.....59—60.

VISALIA CHAPTER, No. 44.

Visalia, Tulare County.

Stated Meetings, fourth Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS:

William B Wallace, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Joseph Clarence Ward, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
Christian Hausch, <i>King</i> ,	Edward Erastus McVeagh, <i>R. A. Captain</i> ,
Edward McDonald Graham, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Edmund Jones Fudge, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
James Edward Denny, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Edward Harrison Miles, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
David Oscar Anderson, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Francis Jordan, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Robert Chidley Broder, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	Freedom Moulton Rice, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Robert Chidley Broder,	Joseph Clarence Ward,	William B Wallace.
Richard Hubbard Stevens,	Charles Henry Murphy,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Bacigalupi, Theodore	Goad, John Cornelius	Pease, Edwin R
Blakely, Francis Algene	Goodman, Joseph .	Pogue, James Wm. Center
Bowhay, Jasper Newton	Guggenheim, Leon	Preston, Charles Welcome
Branks, Robert	Hackett, Henry	Quinn, Harry
Brower, Celsus	Hall, Albon Eugene	Rockwell, Lorenzo Anson
Brown, Charles Rose	Hammond, William Hall	Russell, John Cowan
Camp, William Henry	Hockett, John Benjamin	Shore, Gilbert Edward
Chatten, Richard	Jones, John Simeon	Smith, George Washington
Oranston, Floyd Cole	McIntyre, Thomas	Smith, Seth
Oreighton, Thomas	McJunkin, Joseph Talbot	Tracy, Persus Sprague
Crowley, Green Berry	Melone, John Henry	Tuohy, John
Dowdle, John Philip	Nathan, Herman	Tuxberry, William Dwight
Freeman, Robert L	Nathan, Louis David	Walker, David Edward
Gilroy, Launcelot	Nelson, William Dennis	Wells, Morgan James
Glasscock, Alpha Hayden	Parker, George Alvia	Woods, Ezekiel Wil'm'n Smith

—59.

MOST EXCELLENT MASTER:

Musgrave, Robert William—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Holland, Laurens Thomas—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Warner, Frederick Appleton—1.

DIED:

Arick, Rufus Ellis	Lovelace, Lemuel Moreland	Parker, Jeremiah—3.
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RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	62	Withdrawn	1
Exalted	2—64.	Susp. for non-payment of dues...	1
		Died	3
		Now borne upon the roll.....	59—64.

SANTA ROSA CHAPTER, No. 45.

Santa Rosa, Sonoma County.

Stated Meetings, first Friday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Allen Bryant, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Augustus Leander Fisher, <i>Pr. Sojourner</i> ,
Allen Bosley Lemmon, <i>King</i> ,	Charles Martin Bumbaugh, <i>R. A. Captain</i> ,
Peter Nicholas Stofen, <i>Scribe</i> ,	John Dunbar, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Milo Smith Davis, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Ross, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Charles Augustus Hoffer, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Charles Lorraine Phelps, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Hiram Lewis Tripp, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Winslow Simon Hosmer, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Robert Press Smith, Jr.,	Christopher Columbus Farmer,	Hiram Lewis Tripp,
Augustus Leander Fisher,	Henry J. Ross,	Walter Clifford Good,
John Ripley Wright,	Alex. Douglas Laughlin,	George Anderson Tupper.
Allison Burr Ware,	Edward Walker Davis,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Allen, Samuel Irwin	Henry, James	Murphy, Wyman
Allison, Peter	Highly, William	Nelson, William Clark
Anderson, Thos. Hart Ben'tn	Hodgson, William Henry	Oakes, George William
Appleton, Wellington	Hoover, Abram	Overton, Albert Perry
Barnett, Joel Dwight	Hoover, John	Page, Charles Albert
Baxter, Thomas Phipps	Howell, Louis Vanburgh H.	Parks, David Harrison
Bell, James Shadrach	Howell, Orrin	Phillips, Walter
Berka, Frank	Hughes, John	Piggott, James Kenneth
Berka, John	Hunt, William Jesse	Prindle, William
Box, James Allen	Hutchinson, Samuel	Roney, James Madison
Brown, Alexander	Ink, Walter Payne	Simmons, Leeson Gaskill
Bruegge, Herman Frederick	Johnson, Andrew	Sinclair, George Henry
Buckland, Leonard Harrison	Johnson, George Asbury	Sparks, George Washington
Burger, Calvin Hayden	Kerridge, Frederick John	Speller, George
Burris, David	Korbel, Antone Francis	Spencer, Byron M
Burris, Luther William	Label, Herman	Steadman, Welcome Judson
Byrne, John Carlton	Loughlin, John Mac	Stites, Alexander Hill
Caldwell, Charles Young	Long, Isaac	Stone, Nathan Jonas
Clark, Frederick Longworth	Loomis, Frank Clemens	Straney, Francis Marion
Colgan, Edward Power	Ludwig, Thomas Jefferson	Sweet, Frank Hervey
Crowder, Henry Crawford	Maller, James Clark	Taylor, John Shackelford
Dana, Alfred Wadsworth	Mathews, John Wesley	Tucker, Henry Thompson
Doggett, William Jordan	McConnell, William Elliot	Vanderhoff, Martin Van Buren
Dohn, George Ernest	McDonald, Mark L	Walker, John
Fountain, Orlando	McFadyen, Allen	Warboys, John Walter
Fulkerson, Theodorus S.	McKinley, Duncan E	Warner, James Judson
Gannon, James	McMinn, John	Wescoatt, Jonas
Green, Paul Franklin	Mills, Emory Temple	Wilton, Thomas Garrett
Grindle, Joshua	Montgomery, William	Wright, Augustus Sylvanus
Guerne, George Emil	Moral, Nathan	Wright, James California
Halling, Fredric	Morris, Henry Bullen	Young, Bird Sidney
Hardin, Chas. Henry Edwin	Murdock, Lewis Anthony	Young, Michael—118.
Harris, Jacob		

RESTORED:

Alban, William Green

Mathews, John Wesley—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Alban, William Green—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

French, John Henry

Mathews, Albert Fletcher

Van Doren, William Henry

Goodfellow, John

McConochie, Robert

Wood, Benjamin Sewell—8.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....121

Withdrawn..... 1

Exalted..... 2

Susp. for non-payment of dues... 6

Restored 2—125. Now borne upon the roll.....118—125.

WOODLAND CHAPTER, No. 46.**Woodland, Yolo County.***Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.***OFFICERS:**Francis Ellsworth Baker, *High Priest,*Loron Warren Hilliker, *Prin. Sojourner,*Donald Fraser, *King,*Frederick Miller, *Royal Arch Captain,*Franklin Sylvester Freeman, *Scribe,*Leroy Coil, *Master 3d Vail,*John Dickson Stephens, *Treasurer,*James Thomas Taylor, *Master 2d Vail,*James Kerson Smith, *Secretary,*_____, *Master 1st Vail,*Temple Perrin Magee, *Capt. of the Host,* Edward Glendenning, *Guard.***Past High Priests:**

Donald Fraser,

John Lowrey Simpson,

Loron Warren Hilliker.

Francis Ellsworth Baker,

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Adams, Levi Brandon

Ely, Isaac Jefferson

Howard, Stephen A

Blowers, Russell Bigelow

Frederick, John George

Hurlbut, George Rogers

Bower, John Gustaf

Freeman, John Watts

Kean, Andrew Carlisle

Brown, Elijah William

Frost, Charles Stinson

Kennedy, John

Charmak, Louis

Gable, Amos William

Lowry, John William

Cohen, William

Gable, Harvey Clinton

Marden, William Harrison

Craig, Thornton

Garey, George Jones

Rahm, Francis Marion

Cramer, Lewis

Goodin, Thomas Clinton

Rodolph, Godfrey

Davisson, Benj. Franklin

Guthrie, Thomas Walker

Williams, John Calvert

Day, Charles Granville

Harling, Micajah Oglesby

Winne, William Henry

Diggs, David Pitt

Hill, Henry Abraham

Woodard, Geo. Washington

Dresbach, William

Houx, David Franklin

Young, Joseph Garnet—48.

MOST EXCELLENT MASTER:

Grim, William Everett—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....48 Now borne upon the roll.....48—48.

LASSEN CHAPTER, No. 47.

Susanville, Lassen County.

Stated Meetings, second Saturday after Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS:

William Brockman, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Morris Asher, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
Frederick Hines, <i>King</i> ,	Noble Samuel McKinsey, <i>R. A. Captain</i> ,
Eber Gaston Bangham, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Anthony Otto, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Lyman Collins Stiles, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Charles Michael Stoll, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Wright Patrick Hall, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Hansen Marker, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Julien Eugene Pardee, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	James Branham, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

John Ranshaw Lockwood,	Philip Jacob Goumas,	William David Minckler,
Eber Gaston Bangham,	James Branham,	William Brockman.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Alexander, Abraham	Knoch, Davis	Pullen, Granville
Alexander, Jules	Kruger, Frank	Ripley, Charles Jackson
Bailey, Ira Eugene	Masten, William Thomas	Santee, Milton
Bereman, Henry	Maxwell, Jefferson Houston	Sharp, James Porter
Bobo, Benjamin Franklin	McDow, Lafayette Decatur	Sheldon, Benjamin Franklin
Oahlan, John	McGill, Robert Leslie	Smith, Albert Augustus
Cramer, Daniel	McKenzie, Alex. Archibald	Smith, Isaac Wright
Crane, William Henry	McKenzie, Donald William	Snyder, Henry
Dodge, Edward Robert	McKisnick, Jacob	Spalding, Zetus Newell
Hall, William Henry	Miller, Andrew	Talbot, Enoch Stanwood
Hathaway, Hiram Jackson	Moon, Abraham Gillette	Tremain, Robert
Hendrick, James Wesley	Morgan, Charles Henry	Williams, Eugene Albert
Hyer, David Campbell	Otto, Fred	Winchell, Hiram—56.
Kingsbury, William Charles	Pierce, George Strunk	

DIED:

Grant, Alexander—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....56	Died..	1
Affiliated.....	1—57.	Now borne upon the roll. ....56—57.

DIXON CHAPTER, No. 48.

Dixon, Solano County.

Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS:

John William McFadyen, <i>High Priest,</i>	William Henry Garnett, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
John Devano Grady, <i>King,</i>	Chas. Cambridge Donoho, <i>R. A. Captain,</i>
Joseph Henry McCune, <i>Scribe,</i>	James Edwin Apperson, <i>Master 3d Val,</i>
John Henry Rice, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Elmer Ellsworth Nudd, <i>Master 2d Val,</i>
George Ullsteen, <i>Secretary,</i>	Calvin Crawford Clark, <i>Master 1st Val,</i>
William Ogburn Russell, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	William Henry Wells, <i>Chaplain,</i>
_____	_____, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

John Sweany,	George Churchill McKinley,	William Henry Wells,
Herman Eppinger,	Jonathan Merritt Dudley,	John William McFadyen.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Abbey, John Alexander	Frahm, Claus	Martin, James Philip
Agee, Charles Frederick	Fraser, Gillivray	McCune, Henry Ewalt
Agee, Christoph'r Columbus	Garnett, James Sinclair	Morris, William Henry
Aiken, Perly Johnson	Gates, Thomas Milton	Morrison, Robert
Baker, Roland Thomas	Gordon, Melvin Barnes	Nielson, Ole
Baker, William	Gould, Eugene Henry	Ross, Henry Jackson
Bates, Walter Ernest	Heuer, John Henry	Russell, Francis Exaria
Bollard, William Green	Hillman, Arthur Constantine	Simms, William
Craig, Frederick	Ireland, Elias	Stephens, Rob't Edmond Lee
Currey, Montgomery Scott	Job, Charles Edward	Thompson, George
Downs, George McClellan	Johnson, James Otis	Tyler, Elias Mortimer
Englehart, Edmond Johnson	Kelly, Benjamin Franklin	Wolfskill, Edward
Eppinger, Joshua	Klayes, Frederick	Yount, George Walter
Ettlinger, Bernhard	Kline, Joseph	Yount, John Burnett—60.
Ferguson, Wm. Redmond	Madden, John Rightmire	

DIED:

Enos, William Sessions

Killebrew, William—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....56	Died.....2
Exalted.....6—62.	Now borne upon the roll.....60—62.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Andrews, James Henry	Gourley, Eliakim Tupper	Mathis, Jacob Alvin
Barker, James Lawrence	Hatch, David Patterson	Norway, William Henry
Broughton, Robert John	Hawley, Walter Augustus	Paddock, Edgar Lusene
Conant, Frank Adelbert	Hayman, Albert	Rogers, Herbert Augustine
Daniels, Thomas Payne	Higbee, Charles James	Storke, Charles Albert
Dimock, Harry Clinton	Hill, Jesse	Todd, Alexander Brunt
Eddleman, Jacob Joshua	Kelton, Charles Henry	Whitaker, James Gilmore
Faber, George	Laughlin, Henry James	Wilson, Albert Calhoun Jos.
Fernald, Charles	Linquest, August Ludwek	Wilson, Jerome Calvin—44.
Garretson, J. McCullough		

PAST MASTER:

Enls, Foston—1.

RESTORED:

Marcy, Harvy Bradley—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Marcy, Harvy Bradley—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Yates, Lorenzo Gordon—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....45	Withdrawn..... 1
Restored 1—46.	Susp. for non-payment of dues.... 1
	Now borne upon the roll.....44—46.

HUMBOLDT CHAPTER, No. 52

Eureka, Humboldt County.

Stated Meetings, second Monday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Thomas Barnes Cutler, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Louis Persons, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
Lewis Buonoore Kingsbury, <i>King</i> ,	David Kenneda Renfro, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
Emery Jonathan Chapman, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Robert Copeland, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
James William Henderson, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Andrew Walker Ross, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Albert De Forest Hetfield, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Louis Rice, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
John Lester Maurer, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	William Daniel McKay, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Thomas Blackwell, Joseph Dibble Hoyt Chamberlin, Thomas Barnes Cutler.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Anderson, Andrew William	Bigelow, Charles Edwin	Bull, John Clark, Jr.
Anderson, James Peter	Bonifield, Samuel	Campbell, Alexander
Anraud, Frank Clateon	Borg, Edward Nelson	Carson, Charles Alexander
Barnard, James Edwin	Brown, Thomas McGinnis	Carson, George
Baylor, Daniel	Bryce, William	Clark, John Gordon
Beckwith, Frank Walter	Buck, Silas Montgomery	Clark, Robert Dale

Olyborne, W Frank	Howard, Clarence M. Leig'n	Ross, James
Outler, Thomas	Howatt, James College Pope	Russ, Ira Alonzo
Oonnors, Thomas	Holmes, Samuel	Ryan, John Walter
Davies, Jasper Newton	Hutchins, Robert Walker	Sherburne, Benjamin F
Dinkelspiel, Adolph	Jackson, Harry Woodville	Sevier, Ernest
Dinsmore, William	Keene, George Hamilton	Sherwood, Edgar Dudley
Doe, Charles Albion	Langford, Thomas	Siedell, Arthur Charles
Douglas, George Carlton	Marvin, George D	Sinclair, John Archibald
Dunlap, David A	McCullins, David	Smith, James L
Emerson, Thomas Rathven	McGeorge, John Frederick	Spring, Obadiah Hill
Faron, Lewis Hoile	McKay, Richard	Stoessiger, Julius Theodore
Gallop, John Thomas	McLeod, John	Stone, Wesley Whipple
Glennon, Patrick Joseph	McNamara, William Jewett	Swanger, Samuel Adams
Graeter, Luther Drury	Melendy, John Marvin	Thompson, Hiram Freeman
Graham, John George	Monkman, John Francis	Thompson, James Franklin
Greenwald, Julius	Nelson, Aaron Frederick	Thompson, Sidney William
Haensel, Julius Heinrich Gus	Noecker, Charles	Thomson, John Smith
Hamilton, John	Ohman, Ignatius Joseph	Trost, John Henry
Hanna, William Patterson	Percy, Edwin Hudson	Wentworth, Harris Barnes
Hart, Plummer Frederick	Phillips, Edwin S	Williams, George Frank
Harpst, Charles Isaiah	Pine, Safford Fay	Wilson, Emet Wakeman
Harpst, Cornelius N	Powell, Robert Baldwin	Zaruba, Valcao
Hetherington, John, Jr.	Robarts, James Thomas	Zehndner, George—103.
Hill, Randle	Roberts, Melvin Parker	

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....93	Now borne upon the roll.....108.
Exalted.....9	
Affiliated.....1—103.	

UKIAH CHAPTER, No. 53.

Ukiah, Mendocino County.

Stated Meetings, first and third Wednesdays in each month.

OFFICERS :

James Milton Mannon, <i>High Priest</i> ,	William Ross Elliot, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
George Washington Stout, <i>King</i> ,	Samuel Dihel Paxton, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
James Robert Mathews, <i>Scribe</i> ,	William Proudfoot, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Samuel Wheeler, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Washington Irving Bailly, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
William Truman Kirkwood, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Lee L Harbert, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
George McCowen, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	—— ———, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests :

John Wesley Jenkins,	William Watkins Cunningham,	James Milton Mannon,
George McCowen,	Jeremiah Henry Donohoe,	Benson Clark Bellamy.
Edward Warren King,	William Isbell,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Abraham, Louis	Hatch, Hiram Treat	Packard, Charles Oscar
Ambrose, Charles Delos	Heeser, William	Petersen, James Lewis
Babcock, Lyman Wilbert	Hendrix, Jay Ward	Rawles, Thomas Edward
Barker, John Henry	Henley, Whitcomb	Reed, John Smith
Bechtol, Albert George	Hirsch, Benoit Samuel	Reilly, James Edward
Bransford, Walter Lee	Hoak, Elvin Newman	Salmon, George Washington
Boulon, Paul Amabel Leon	Holliday, Stonewall Jackson	Saunders, John Herbert
Carothers, Thomas Langley	Hornbrook, Sanders	Seawell, John Henry
Charlton, Thomas	Jarvis, Henry Herbert	Sleeper, Ed
Compton, Thos. Jefferson	Jourdon, Joseph Daniel	Singley, George Henry
Cunningham, Charles	Kilbourn, William Vincent	Smith, Martin Thomas
Dart, Frederick William	Kimball, Charles	Smith, Tracy Hubbard
Day, Louis Taylor	Lane, John Crosby	Standley, Jeremiah M
De Camp, Clarence Eastman	Levey, Morris Frank	Tanner, Dennis
Donohue, Edward John	Markle, Robert Bruce	Taylor, John
Forse, William Henry	Marks, Seymour	Thomas, Andrew Jackson
Foster, Jesse Valentine	McCowen, Hale	Updegraff, Jacob
Gerber, August	McGarvey, Robert	Wagenseller, Norton
Grey, Ninian Edward	McKay, Andrew	White, Clarence Ulmer
Gowell, Charles Alfred	McPhee, George Sanford	Whitten, Carroll Henry
Hagans, William Anderson	Montague, Lemuel Davis	Yell, Archibald
Hagenmeyer, Gebhard	Newfield, Marcus	Zimmerman, William Tell
Handy, Fred Clark	Orr, James Henry	—85.

WITHDRAWN:

Griggs, William Benjamin Peabody, Henry Adams—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Graham, William Henry Warren, Benjamin Franklin—2.

DIED:

Hagans, Wallace Montgomery—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report	83	Withdrawn	2
Exalted	5	Susp. for non-payment of dues....	2
Affiliated.....	2—90.	Died	1
		New borne upon the roll	85—90

KEYSTONE CHAPTER, No. 56.

San Bernardino, San Bernardino County.

Stated Meetings, second Monday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Henry A Keller, <i>High Priest,</i>	Millford Byron Terras, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
William Lloyd Garrison Soule, <i>King,</i>	Smith Cook Haile, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
George Lord, <i>Scribe,</i>	William Lewis Hubbard, <i>Master 3d Val,</i>
Lewis Jacobs, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Arthur Perry Morse, <i>Master 2d Val,</i>
Jeremiah Drake Ousterhout, <i>Secretary,</i>	George William French, <i>Master 1st Val,</i>
Thomas Jonathan Wilson, <i>Capt. of Host,</i>	Henry Francis Wegnori, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Horace Cowen Rolfe, William Craig, Henry A Keller.
 Thomas Jonathan Wilson, Wm. Lloyd Garrison Smith,

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Andreson, John	Hook, John	La Rue, Jeremiah
Clark, Horace	Kelley, John Jay	Lawrence, Chas. Marshall
Cole, George Benjamin	Kennedy, Dennis Meade	McCullough, William Pinkey
Davis, Milo Eugene	Kennedy, Robert James	Papenhausen, Henry
Downs, John Whitney	King, John Caleb	Peacock, James Corbett
Gibson, James Alexander	Knapp, Calvin Reason	Porter, William Robert
Harris, Jacob	Knox, John Thompson	Robinson, Henry Walter
Hart, Alexander Hamilton	Kurtz, Christian	Shaw, David Augustus—38.

PAST MASTER:

Hubbard, Anthony Gerhard—1.

MARK MASTER:

Mann, James—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Archer, William Edwin

Lloyd, Robert—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Daniels, Rensselaer Wilkinson

Frankel, Samuel—2.

EXCLUDED:

Story, Warren

Talmadge, Francis Le Barron Wiggins, William Robert—3.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....40	Withdrawn..... 2
Exalted 2	Susp. for non-payment of dues... 2
Affiliated 3—45.	Excluded..... 3
	Now borne upon the roll.....38—45.

SIGNET CHAPTER, No. 57.**Los Angeles, Los Angeles County.***Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

John Amos Kingsley, <i>High Priest,</i>	Frank Cowran Eddy, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
August Wackerbarth, <i>King,</i>	Solomon Iramscher Haas, <i>R. A. Captain,</i>
William Hurd White, <i>Scribe,</i>	Charles Ira McIntyre, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Tom Jeremiah Weldon, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Niles Pease, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Charles Otis Scott, <i>Secretary,</i>	George Henry Habel, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
William Henry Eador, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Charles Francis Babcock, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Robert Rufus Brown,	Julius Herbert Martin,	George Mortimer Holton,
Rob. Gilmore Cunningham,	Trowbridge Hyer Ward,	Henry Sayre Orme, <i>P.G.H.P.</i>
Charles Wilson Bush,	John Condit Haskell,	

Pendleton, Cornelius Welles	Schoder, Joseph	Sutherland, David Munroe
Perry, William Hayes	Seip, George Edward	Swift, Theodore Everett
Packard, John Elwood	Settle, John	Teed, Freeman Golding
Patterson, Henry	Shaffer, John	Teed, Matthew
Pattison, Jas. Wilson	Ham'n Sheldon, Willard M	Thorne, Lewis
Polaaki, Lewis	Sheridan, John Henry	Tresslar, Sidney Peany
Preston, Isaac Hubbard	Shinn, William Hollis	Thomas, Robert Shaw
Preston, Jasper Newton	Shriver, Levi Perry	Van Dyke, Walter
Reiser, Theodore	Shorb, Andrew Stephen	Van Nuy, Isaac Newton
Reithmuller, Aloise Jan	Slocum, Albert Gardiner	Vignolo, Ambrogio
Richards, Thomas William T	Simons, Edward	Wade, William Pratt
Rodgers, William Diel	Smith, Benjamin N	Walker, Thomas Eaton
Bohrer, John Bonewitz	Smith, Fred Martin	Webster, Stephen Merrett
Ross, Levi Adolphus	Smith, Gilbert Vernon	Weston, Samuel Cutler
Russell, Daniel Lindsey	Smith, Henry Augustus	White, Chas. Edm'd Jeffries
Russell, Horace Marvin	Smith, Ira Bacos	Whitson, Levi Henry
Rutan, Charles Franklin	Soper, William Wallace	Willard, Charles Dwight
Salisbury, John Caleb	Stead, Charles	Woodbury, Francis Chute
Sargent, Edward William	Stewart, William	Woodward, Millard Fillmore
Scarborough, William Byron	Story, Norton Fillmore	Yapp, Frederick George
Schmidt, Theodore August	Strohm, Thomas	Young, Robert T—239.

MOST EXCELLENT MASTER :

Clark, William—1.

PAST MASTER :

Platt, Robert Stark—1.

RESTORED :

Macmurdo, Wirt Robinson—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Macmurdo, Wirt Robinson	Somes, William Thomas	Walters, Henry William
Miller, Isaac Leffler	Wales, Thatcher Peter	—5.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Bell, Charles	Haines, Rufus Rowe	Ogeburg, George
Chaffey, William Benjamin	Hunt, James Shelly	Simpson, John Herbert
Chambers, William Dunbar	Leake, Edward	Turner, Joseph Summers
Dean, John James	McManis, John Rodman	—11.

DIED :

Ellis, James	Hamlin, Daniel W	Parcels, Horatio Sutton—4.
Goodwin, Leander Clement		

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....	320	Withdrawn	5
Exalted.....	17	Susp. for non-payment of dues.....	11
Affiliated.....	21	Died.....	4
Restored.....	1—259	Now borne upon the roll.....	239—259.

SALINAS CHAPTER, No. 59.

Salinas, Monterey County.

Stated Meetings, fourth Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Uldarico Hartnell, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Arthur Johnson Abbott, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
James Ashley Webster, <i>King</i> ,	William Michael Vanderhurst, <i>R. A. Capt.</i> ,
Carlisle Stewart Abbott, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Frederich Wm. Schmechel, <i>Mas. 3d Vail</i> ,
Mason Lorenzo Dexter, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thomas Scott Mabel, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
John Barron Bennett, <i>Secretary</i> .	James Harris, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Jacob Jepsen, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	William Willis Joyce, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

William Vanderhurst, <i>P.G.H.P.</i> ,	John King Alexander,	Uldarico Hartnell.
Samuel Franklin Geil,	Mason Lorenzo Dexter,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Abbott, George	Hiller, Andrew	Patterson, Alexander
Abbott, Harvey Eldon	Hitchcock, Benjamin	Pinkerton, William
Archer, Samuel Milton	Hoffman, Christian	Porter, John Brewer
Ball, Henry Seymour	Hoffman, Henry	Porter, Robert Lindsay
Black, Victor Delmor	Holmes, James Frederick	Renison, Thomas
Boyers, Cary Lee	Housh, William Harvey	Riley, James Alexander
Brown, John Henry	Jackson, Alexander Bell	Sargent, Bradley Varnum
Brown, Andrew Washingt'n	Josselyn, Edward Spencer	Sargent, James Patty
Brown, Clinton Edwin	Joy, Charles	Schroeder, Frederick Wm.
Brown, Pearl Raymond	Joy, John Greene	Smeltzer, M. Jacob Grove
Cayer, Ovila	Lambert, Thomas Grafton	Smith, Lovias
Chappel, Thomas	Logwood, Samuel Hall	Snively, James Bowman
Cook, Theodore Webster	Logwood, William Mayfield	Stafford, Henry Edwin
Edwards, William Sawyer	Martin, William Jefferson	Steinbeck, John Ernest
Fancher, James Knox Polk	McGarvey, William Victor	Sutton, William
Faw, Thomas Felix	Menor, James Crawford	Taft, William Henry
Fenton, Edward	Monroe, Daniel	Trimmer, Oliver Smith
Graves, James Elbert	Nissen, Christian	Tuttle, Charles Kirkham
Harmes, George	Norton, Andrea Massena	Uttley, George
Hatton, William	Palmer, Hiram Jairus	Witcher, Charles Rose, Jr.
Hertel, Charles Augustus	Parker, Wm. Matticks Rogers	Widemann, Alfred—79.
Hill, William Jay		

MOST EXCELLENT MASTER:

Reynolds, John—1.

PAST MASTER:

Eaton, Edwin Alexander—1.

MARK MASTER:

Faw, George Eugene—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Markley, John—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Chamberlain, Charles Grandison—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....72	Withdrawn.....1
Expaled.....9—81.	Susp. for non-payment of dues..1
	Now borne upon the roll.....79—81.

COLUSA CHAPTER, No. 60.

Colusa, Colusa County.

Stated Meetings, first and third Wednesdays in each month.

OFFICERS :

Joseph Bailey Cooke, <i>High Priest</i> ,	William Harrison Buster, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
Claude Edward De St. Maurice, <i>King</i> ,	Rotheus Augustus Gray, <i>R. A. Captain</i> ,
Robert Cosner, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Joseph Byron Stanton, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Edward Winslow Jones, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Charles Mogk, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Richard Jones, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Sites, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
John Lowry Jackson, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	John Henry Leining, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priest :

Joseph Bailey Cooke.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS :

Ayer, Leonard Barnard	Furth, Jacob	Sites, William Franklin
Bungarde, George	Guernsey, Henry	Swinford, Edwin
Cheaney, John	Harden, George Beaty	Thayer, Albert Austin
Clark, Reuben	Jones, James Thaddeus	Vaughn, Cornelius L. N.
De Jarnatt, John Burris	Longmire, Samuel O	Wiles, John Marshall
Elliott, Henry Baker	Mason, William Farington	Winkler, James Jackson
Fouch, John Franklin	Noble, William Wallace	Wilson, Cyrus Pogue—33.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

* Adair, Charles Henry	Miller, William Franklin—2.
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RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report..... 34.	Susp. for non-payment of dues... 1
	Now borne upon the roll..... 33—34.

SAN DIEGO CHAPTER, No. 61.

San Diego, San Diego County.

Stated Meetings, second Monday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Eli Tucker Blackmer, <i>High Priest</i> ,	George Mifflin Dannals, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
James Godfrey Decatur, <i>King</i> ,	Thomas Alexis Nerney, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
John Brundrage Hinton, <i>Scribe</i> ,	John R. Aitkin, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Samuel Warren Hackett, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Charles John Hyland, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
John Waldo Thompson, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William John Moasholder, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Addisen Morgan, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Thomas Goodwin Jefferis, <i>Guard</i> .

* Reported last year as Excluded.

Past High Priests :

William Augustus Begole,	Simon Levi,	Ell Tucker Blackmer.
John Waldo Thompson,	George Milla Dannaie,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS :

Allison, Juan Maxwell	Fenn, Charles Merwin	Patterson, Charles Fremont
Anderson, Charles	Fournier, Ferdinand	Plaisted, Leland Howard
Arnold, Gilbert Conger	Ginty, John	Powers, Robert Morris
Asher, Josephus Marion	Goldbaum, Simon	Reed, David Curtis
Babcock, Milton Stout	Hamilton, James Kiah	Remondino, Peter Charles
Bass, John Duncan	Harbison, John S	Resterick, Henry Bond
Bowers, William Wallace	Hubbell, Oren Sage	Rockfellow, Eugene Francis
Bradt, Garrett Gareon	Humphreys, Thomas Henry	Rouland, Niles Peter
Bradt, Horace	Jackson, Jacob Young	Schilling, Henry Emil
Bullis, William Shufelt	Jewell, William Shepherd	Scribner, George Osborne
Burgess, Edward Ezekiel	Johnston, James Simpson	Schneider, Arnold
Bushyhead, Edw. Wilkerson	Kimball, Frank Augustus	Shaw, Thomas Montague
Cameron, Thomas Ross	Levi, Isaac	Simpson, John Henfrey
Campbell, Chas. Alexander	Louis, Emanuel J	Stewart, William Wallace
Carl, Irving L	Luce, Moses Augustin	Thielen, Joseph
Cave, Daniel	Marks, Joseph	Thomas, Richard A
Clark, John Milton	Matfield, George Henry	Thompson, William Fife
Conklin, Norman Henry	Matthiessen, Albert Henry	Thoustrup, Julius Arendt E
Connor, John Henry	McDougall, Wm. Bradford	Tobey, Milton B H
Cooper, Henry Ernest	McLure, Louis Steenrod	Treanor, Charles Augustus
Craigie, Solon William	Morse, Philip	Weineke, Henry William
Davis, Murray	Mumford, John Valentine	Wheeler, George Bourne
Dill, Albert Freeman	Olmsted, Stephen Horatio	White, Theo. Frelinghuysen
Douglas, Charles H	Paine, John Oliver Winslow	York, Charles E—87.
Faivre, Joseph		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Chase, Herbert Adrian	Thomas, John R	Wescott, Edmund—4.
Henderson, James Joseph		

DIED:

Gunn, Douglas—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....86	Susp'd for non-payment of dues... 4
Exalted..... 6—92.	Died..... 1
	Now borne upon the roll.....87—92.

SAN LUIS CHAPTER, No. 62.

San Luis Obispo, San Luis Obispo County.

Stated Meetings, first Friday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Kaufman Green, <i>High Priest,</i>	Henry Loobliner, <i>Principal Sejourner,</i>
Alphonse Washington Steinhart, <i>King,</i>	Philip Kaetsel, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Robert Edgar Jack, <i>Scribe,</i>	Hiram Jefferson Beck, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Ralph Parker Sutliff, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Isaac Lasar, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
John Whicher, <i>Secretary,</i>	Simon Hempel Hanson, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Philip Francis Ready, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Andrew Williamson, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests :

Levi Rackliffe,

Frederick Adams,

William Harrison Spencer.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Ballou, Stephen Davis
 Barger, Daniel Edwin
 Blackburn, Daniel Drew
 Booth, Alfred Roger
 Brooks, Benjamin
 Carter, Wirt Ludore
 Cass, James
 Crocker, Adolph
 Dallidet, Pierre Hyppolite
 Dorn, Fred Adolphus
 Douglas, Gerard Noel
 Farnum, Charles Alson
 Filliponi, Dannis
 Fillmore, James Millard
 Garrison, Daniel Marcus
 Goldtree, Morris
 Greenberg, Meyer
 Hardie, Angus McPherson
 Harkinson, Robert
 Harloe, Marcus
 Hasbrouk, Abram Bruyn
 Hays, William Williams

Hoff, Marcus Jacob
 Hollister, John Hubbard
 Ide, Bela Clinton
 Johnston, Hosea Holcomb
 Lasar, Marcus
 Latimer, Benjamin Griffith
 Lewis, Jesse Eliaba
 Lucas, William Thomas
 Maxwell, Charles
 McCoy, George Watson
 Michael, Geo. Washington
 Muir, Jeremiah
 Muscio, Abramo
 Muscio, Guiseppi
 Nichols, George Burritt
 Noah, Louis Meyer
 Noah, Meyer
 Peterson, Peter
 Pezzoni, Batista
 Phillips, Chauncey Hatch
 Poland, Henson
 Pollard, Samuel Adams

Prefumo, Pietro Benedetto
 Reed, Charles Henry
 Reid, Thompson
 Rice, Coffee Adam
 Robbins, Fred Olmstead
 Rodgers, William
 Russell, Charles Jay
 Sandercock, William
 Smith, William John
 Speyer, David
 Stanford, George Breck
 Story, George
 Tognazzini, Antonio
 Tognazzini, Peter
 Tomasini, Louis
 Victors, Henry
 Vollmer, Edward
 Warden, Lew Moore
 Watson, James William
 Williams, Thomas Jeffreys
 Wood, Beder Junior—80.

MARK MASTER :

Call, Samuel Johnson—1.

RESTORED :

McCoy, George Watson—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Currier, John Charles—1.

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....77	Withdrawn ... 1
Exalted..... 3	Now borne upon the roll.....80—81.
Restored..... 1—81.	

ST. HELENA CHAPTER, No. 63.

St. Helena, Napa County.

*Stated Meetings, Thursday on or before Full Moon in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Wm. Whittingham Lyman, <i>High Priest,</i>	Louis Howard Trainor, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
John Henry Steves, <i>King,</i>	Frank Pellet, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Alton Levant Williams, <i>Scribe,</i>	William Alexander Bingham, <i>Mas. 3d Vail,</i>
Charles Hayden Greenfield, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Charles Frederick Rice, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Marcus Fayette Inman, <i>Secretary,</i>	Michael Sixon Boland, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Benj. Franklin Kettlewell, <i>Capt. of Host,</i>	David Galewsky, <i>Guard.</i>

William Whittingham Lyman.

On roll per last report.....20. Now borne upon the roll.....20.

ANTIOCH CHAPTER, No. 65.**Antioch, Contra Costa County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday preceding the Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

Charles Mortimer Belshaw, *High Priest*, Nathaniel Woodhull Smith, *Pr. Sojourner*,
 Stephen Horace McKellips, *King*, George Holladay, *Royal Arch Captain*,
 Joshua Plummer Abbott, *Scribe*, George Alexander Minaker, *Mast. 3d Vail*,
 Frank George, *Treasurer*, Daniel Gibson Darby, *Master 2d Vail*,
 Charles Franklin Montgomery, *Secretary*, Richard Raines Veale, *Master 1st Vail*,
 Frank Edward Booth, *Captain of the Host*, John Norman, *Guard*.

Past High Priests:

James Carter,

Charles Mortimer Belshaw.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Cox, John Thomas
 Grant, Peter B
 Graves, Hiram Augustus

Miller, George
 Simmons, Harry
 Storey, Walter

Walton, John Parks
 Walton, Mark Anthony
 Webber, David—22.

MARK MASTER:

Cole, James Cairns—1.

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....22. Now borne upon the roll.....22.

DORIC CHAPTER, No. 66.**San Leandro, Alameda County.***Stated Meetings, second Saturday after Full Moon in each month.***OFFICERS:**

George Edwin Kennedy, *High Priest*, John Glover Reid, *Principal Sojourner*,
 William John Landers, *King*, August Bjorkman, *Royal Arch Captain*,
 Amel Briar Cary, *Scribe*, Brady Washington Marlin, *Mast. 3d Vail*,
 Andrew L Stone, *Treasurer*, Fritz Stenzel, *Master 2d Vail*,
 Benjamin Cowell Hawes, *Secretary*, John Fred'k Ernst Hopper, *Mast. 1st Vail*,
 Andrew Gove Roberts, *Captain of the Host*, Horry Wert Meek, *Guard*.

Past High Priest:

George Edwin Kennedy.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS :

Anspacher, Simon	Fassett, Francis Ronello	Seller, Samuel
Aylward, John	Gerst, Garrison	Shiman, John Ludwig
Bailey, Hiram	Holmes, Nathaniel Breed	Smith, James Dale
Bardellini, Joseph	Keyes, Ernest Mulford	Stone, Egbert Barker
Beck, Madison Hartwell	McKown, Joseph Oscar	Taylor, William Stewart
Bernal, Dennis Filbert	McLeod, Andrew Jackson	True, George Lewis
Bowles, Jesse	Meek, William Elsworth	Van Valkenburgh, Charles O
Brunner, Harry Ernest	Mitchell, John Lawrence	Wells, Charles Samuel
Clark, Alson Sherman	Newell, Edward Charles	Wright, William Henry—41.
Fargo, Arva Alphonse	Pitcher, Henry Hinsdale	

WITHDRAWN :

Bellamy, Benson Clark—1.

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....26	Withdrawn..... 1
Exalted..... 8	Now borne upon the roll.....41-42.
Affiliated..... 8-42.	

RIVERSIDE CHAPTER, No. 67.

Riverside, San Bernardino County.

Stated Meetings, first Tuesday on or before Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS :

John Saxon Castleman, <i>High Priest,</i>	Kingsbury Sanburn, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
Wilson Byron Russell, <i>King,</i>	John T Jarvis, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Geo. Dimock Cunningham, <i>Scribe,</i>	Gustavus Olivia Newman, <i>Master 3d Val,</i>
Otis Theron Dyer, <i>Treasurer,</i>	John Alex. Wm. Hamilton, <i>Master 2d Val,</i>
Menno S. Bowman, <i>Secretary,</i>	Otley Papineau, <i>Master 1st Val,</i>
Charles Wealy Filkins, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Philip Andrew Gunsolus, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priest :

Menno S Bowman.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS :

Allatt, Horace Edmonds	Davis, Edward James	Haight, Ira Crawford
Allen, Benjamin Franklin	Deere, George Henry	Hall, Priestly
Boggs, Augustus Washington	Drinkwater, Thomas Paine	Handy, Benjamin Bumpas
Bonham, John	DuBois, Louis C	Hinckley, Samuel Bond
Chase, John Irving	Dunbar, Frederick Martin	Holbrook, George Robert
Chevalier, Edward Yates	Fountain, Jabez Husted	Holt, Amos Kendall
Cox, John Henry Dutcher	Garcelon, George William	Hoornbeek, Eugene
Culpepper, Sampson Wm.	Gray, Charles Richard	Jarvis, Joseph
Cundiff, Robert Preston	Haight, Alonzo Dewitt	Keith, Walter Elmer

Klinefelter, Peter K	Reynolds, Curtis C	Shugart, Kelita Davis
Locke, Benjamin Franklin	Rhodes, James D	Skinner, George Mortimer
Magee, Stephen B	Rice, Charles Thomas	Sulcer, Abraham Andrew
Martin, Achilles	Richardson, Frank Watson	Thrall, Henry Isaac
McLeod, John William	Rosenthal, Emil Julius	Thrall, Jerry Beecher
Miller, Frank Augustus	Rouse, Gaylor	Way, Ellsworth Henry—59.
North, John Greenleaf	Sayward, James Wheaton	

PAST MASTER :

Huff, Melvin B—1.

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....54 Now borne upon the roll.....59.
 Exalted..... 5—59.

HOLLISTER CHAPTER, No. 68.

Hollister, San Benito County.

*Stated Meetings, second Wednesday in each month.***OFFICERS :**

Thomas Flint, Sr., <i>High Priest,</i>	Thomas Flint, Jr., <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
Nash Corwith Briggs, <i>King,</i>	George Wapple, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
James Henry Tebbetts, <i>Scribe,</i>	William Francis Dalzell, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Judson Gerald Hamilton, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Amos Marshall Harding, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Samuel Clark Freels, <i>Secretary,</i>	Roscoe Green Norton, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Dan'l Fred'c Haverl'k McPhail, <i>O. of Host,</i>	William Clayton Asher, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests :

Thomas Flint, Jr., Thomas Flint, Sr.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS :

Byrnes, Edward	Lipsett, Archie	Rosenberg, Marcus
Cunning, Francis Ashbury	Mitchell, George Francis	Sanford, Daniel Kenyon
French, Theodore Hugh	Nash, Francis Orlando	Shackleford, Rich'd Mathew
Frenzel, Edmund August	Nash, Pontalba Lavique	Wilcox, Edward North—26.
Ladd, Leonard Murch		

PAST MASTER :

Steinbeck, William Peter—1.

DIED :

Logan, Thomas—1.

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report26 Died..... 1
 Now borne upon the roll 26—26.

TRIGO CHAPTER, No. 69.

Fresno, Fresno County.

Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Edwin Forrest Belleck, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Edward Sharp Valentine, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
Henry Philip Hedges, <i>King</i> ,	Duncan Campbell McDougall, <i>R. A. Capt.</i> ,
John West Conger, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Charles Henry Robinson, <i>Master 8d Vail</i> ,
Oscar J Woodward, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Duncan Donald Allison, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
John Robert Williams, <i>Secretary</i> ,	George Hayes Monroe, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
James Alfred Webster, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	John Dennis, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Angus Marion Clark,

George Clayton Grimes.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Bachman, Nathan La Fay's	Eley, Mills	Sayle, Claudius Galen
Badger, Charles Taintor	Ezray, Justin	Shoobert, Ohas. Waldron S.
Baker, Westwood James	Ferguson, John William	Smith, Albert Anderson
Barling, Alfred Dare	Gilbert, Julius Langdon	Smith, James Wiley
Bradford, Ward	Goldstein, Alexander	Smith, Samuel Nathaniel
Brown, Francis Richard	Hoffman, Allen Fletcher	Snow, Bert Grant
Brown, James Ewing	Hughes, Thomas Edwin	Stroud, John Allen
Butler, Alban Bernhard	Hughes, William Marshall	Sumner, John M
Collins, James Darwin	Kaarsberg, Hans M. Hagen	Taylor, James
Cox, Elmer Henry	Knowles, William Edward	Wagner, James Daniel
Daulton, Henry Clay	Mace, Russell Perry	Walter, Charles Lewis
Davis, William Wallace	McDonald, Alex'der Monroe	Watkins, John Wellealey
Deardorff, Albert G	McDonald, Donald James	Warner, Henry Conrad
De Long, Charles Warren	Martin, Samuel	Webster, Mark
Dexter, Fred. Bartelle	Nelson, Thomas Pleasant	White, John James
Dixon, Louis Le Roi	Norris, Charles Henry	White, James Biggs
Donohoo, Michael Jefferson	Parsons, George Gorton	Whitson, Jacob Emery
Dunlap, James M	Phillips, William Walker	Wilkins, Archibald Smith
Dusy, Frank	Ring, William Charles	Williams, Alonzo Coleridge
Dwyer, John	Rosenthal, Nathan	Williamson, Charles
Edwards, Edward Darnall	Ross, Samuel Hawes	Yager, Cernellus—77.

RESTORED:

Comfort, Aaron B—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Comfort, Aaron B	Vanderlip, Fred'k Douglass	Wood, Charles Robert—4.
Thomas, William Robertson		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Baker, John Allen	Comfort, Aaron B	Schermerhorn, Martin Luther
Collins, Alfred Scott	Moore, Edwin	Smith, James Collins—6.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	81	Withdrawn.....	4
Exalted.....	3	Susp. for non-payment of dues..	6
Affiliated.....	2	Now borne upon the roll.....	77-87.
Restored.....	1-87.		

ALAMEDA CHAPTER, No. 70.

Alameda, Alameda County.

Stated Meetings, first and third Saturdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

Fred. Wm. Gustave Moebus, <i>High Priest</i> ,	John Yablonsky, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
August Gewer, <i>King</i> ,	Dennis Joseph Sullivan, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
Cyrus Austin Brown, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Geo. Wadsworth Dorwin, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Henry Sevensing, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Franklin Lumnis Perkins, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Oswald Lubbock, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Ellsworth, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Peter Klein, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Robert McGoun, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

John Henry Eickhoff,

Wm. Aug's Lindlay Knowles.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Ames, George Spencer	Johnson, Elmer Ellsworth	Reynolds, George Potter
Barton, Phineas Wealey	Jones, William Price	Sheeran, James Andrew
Boehmer, Fritz	Konigshofer, Julius Jonas	Spreckels, Richard
Dickson, William Oliver	Lancaster, Americus Vesp's	Stephenson, Stanley
Dubbs, Willis Snowden	Manheim, Isaac	Stoddard, Asa Church
Granger, Farley Benj., Jr.	Martin, David Wilkins	Strong, Milton Grosvenor
Hall, Gilbert Cowles	Michaels, Henry	Thom, Charles Jefferson
Halsey, Henry Luther	Mitchell, Sidney George	Volberg, Charles Christian
Haskell, Walter Williams	Payne, George Henry	Wall, Joseph George
Hegeboom, Law'ce Vosberg	Perkins, Alfred Thomas	Williams, Edward Alfred
Holts, William	Petersen, Carl Christ'n Aug.	Woodin, Eugene
Hunter, James	Pettes, William Ethan	Woodward, Arthur Sedley

—50.

PAST MASTER:

Pattison, Edward Adolphus—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

* Corse, John

Claussen, Henry—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report	46	Susp. for non-payment of dues..	1
Exalted	2	Now borne upon the roll.....	50-51.
Affiliated	3-51.		

* Reported as excluded last year.

TULARE CHAPTER, No. 71.**Tulare, Tulare County.***Stated Meetings, second and fourth Mondays in each month.***OFFICERS :**

Jacob Franklin Bollar, <i>High Priest,</i>	Randolph Bay, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
George Washington Zartman, <i>King,</i>	Jacob Wolfrom, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Basil Gaither Parker, <i>Scribe,</i>	William Pierce Ratliff, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Edward Oakford, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Anson Parsons Hall, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Robert Thompson McMillan, <i>Secretary,</i>	Robert Lincoln Reid, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
John Albert Goble, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	William Carpenter, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priest :

George Washington Zartman.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Allen, William Stanford	Gowanlock, James	Shaklee, Joseph Wilson
Arnold, James	Hardie, Philip Gosil	Smith, William L
Barber, Emmet	Kramer, Alexander Sanes	Slitz, John Jacob
Blythe, Samuel Allison	Maples, Thompson William	Taggart, Charles Ferdinand
Creelman, And'w Thompson	Madden, David Washington	Taggart, Thomas Edwin
Crowell, William Albert	Madden, Wash'ton Douglass	Warner, Joseph Henry
Deitrick, James	Main, William Henry	Wallace, Hamilton
Eckles, John Graham	Mitchell, Mike	Wilson, John Lewis
Faust, Geo. Andrew Willis	Oakes, Frederick Orrick	Woodruff, David Semour

—39.

PAST MASTER :

Dollenmayer, Edwin Y—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Harris, Thomas Spencer—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Ely, Isaac Hayne

Kellem, John Wilbur—2.

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....34	Withdrawn..... 1
Exalted..... 4	Susp. for non-payment of dues.. 2
Affiliated. 4—42.	Now borne upon the roll.....39—42.

CROWN CHAPTER, No. 72.**Pasadena, Los Angeles County.***Stated Meetings, second Tuesday in each month.***OFFICERS :**

Arthur Henry Conger, <i>High Priest,</i>	John Richard Slater, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
Oscar Otto Freeman, <i>King,</i>	Alfred Thorns, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Amos Myron Collis, <i>Scribe,</i>	Henry Howard Rose, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Sherman Washburn, <i>Treasurer,</i>	John McDonald, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Charles Andrew Gardner, <i>Secretary,</i>	Perry Pollock Bonham, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Eugene Cook Griffith, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Thomas Winchester Goltman, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Romayne Williams,

Florin Leslie Jones,

Elon White.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Arnold, Delos	Grey, Frank Sidney	Perry, Miles J
Atlee, William Augustus	Hartwell, John Lufkin	Pierce, Edward T
Bailey, Robert Watkins	Hodge, Joseph Sylvester	Rhodes, Charles Hilliard
Baker, John Hamilton	Holmes, James Huston	Rockwood, Frederick Leslie
Banbury, Jabez	Jacobs, Julius Albert	Slaughter, Herbert Jerome
Biles, Frederick Eugene	MacIntock, John Russell	Slaughter, Robert Coleman
Bonner, Lewis Henry	Magee, Harvey W	Smith, Charles Arnett
Brown, Charles C	McAllister, William L	Swift, Charles
Clapp, William Taylor	McGregory, Willard G	Vail, Henry J
Conger, Everett Lorentus	McLachlan, James	Vlier, John Kasper
Decker, Zachary	McLean, David Roger	Webster, Thomas Henry
Edwards, Simon Josiah	Mohr, Richard J	Wotkins, B Marshall
Gaylord, Edward Everett	Ocheltree, Gilbert Bryden	Wright, Walter S—56.
Greeley, George Augustus	Ottman, Gilber Almon	

MOST EXCELLENT MASTER:

Miller, George—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Carnahan, David Slater	Masters, Willis Uberto	Fraser, Thomas Prealey
Kerr, Archie Fullerton	Michener, Joseph Charles	Sherman, Henry Bushnell—6.

DIED:

Davis, Asahel Harvey—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	52	Withdrawn.....	6
Exalted	6	Died.....	1
Affiliated	5—63.	Now borne upon the roll.....	56—63.

ORANGE CHAPTER, No. 73.

Santa Ana, Orange County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday on or before Full Moon in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Carlos Frederick Mansur, <i>High Priest,</i>	George Ellery Dye, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
James Wilson Towner, <i>King,</i>	George Warren Weeks, <i>R. A. Captain,</i>
Harlan Fairbanks, <i>Scribe,</i>	John McLellan Lacy, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Allen Jefferson Wood, <i>Treasurer,</i>	William Bradford Lamson, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Robert Francis Chilton, <i>Secretary,</i>	John Saxon Haywood, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Herbert Curtis Hill, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Erastus Clinton Jones, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priest:

Charles Frederick Mansur.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Boyd, James Patton	Fosdick, Henry Osro	Pullen, Eli Athen
Olose, Nathan'l Mills Perry	Hill, Herbert Curtis	Smith, Samuel Franklin
Collins, Isaac Lea	Hogle, George Frederick	Snyder, Andrew
Oliver, James Reed	Medlock, James Randolph	Townsend, Benj. Franklin
Davis, Philip	Mendelson, Marks	West, Zephaniah B
Dorman, Dudley Marvin	Mills, Ira D	Whidden, George Ackerman
Edwards, William Rose	Paul, John Bink	—32

PAST MASTER:**MARK MASTERS:**

Fife, Charles Cordellia—1.	Dryer, John Lewis	Menges, Marion Albert—2.
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DIED:

Wightman, James Little—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....27	Died 1
Exalted..... 5	Now borne upon the roll.....32—33.
Affiliated 1—33.	

LIST OF CHAPTERS NOW IN EXISTENCE,

WITH A SUMMARY OF THEIR RETURNS FOR THE TERM, TWELVE MONTHS, ENDING JANUARY 31, A. I. 2422.

NAMES OF CHAPTERS.	No. Chapter	PLACE OF LOCATION.		DATE WHEN CHAPTER WAS ORDERED.	Marked.	Passed.	Received.	Expelled.	Amited.	Restored.	Withdrawn.	Excluded.	Susp. for non- pay of dues	Sua. Un. Con.	Expelled.	Died.	Past Masters.	M. E. Masters.	R. A. Masters.	Dues to Gr.
		TOWN.	COUNTY.																	
1 SAN FRANCISCO,.....	1	San Francisco,.....	San Francisco,.....	July 28, 1854.	36	32	32	32	3	1	2	2	1	1	1	4	407	407	\$305 25	
2 SONORA,.....	2	Sonora,.....	Tuolumne,.....	" " " "	"	7	5	6	6	1	2	1	1	1	1	4	40	40	30 00	
3 SACRAMENTO,.....	3	Sacramento,.....	Sacramento,.....	" " " "	"	7	5	6	6	1	2	1	1	1	1	4	264	264	198 00	
4 EL DORADO,.....	4	El Dorado,.....	El Dorado,.....	April 30, 1855.	47	45	45	42	3	1	5	3	1	1	1	2	3	499	499	874 25
5 CALIFORNIA,.....	5	San Francisco,.....	San Francisco,.....	" " " "	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2	57	57	42 75
6 NEVADA,.....	6	Nevada,.....	Nevada,.....	" " " "	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	3	23	23	17 25
7 BENICIA,.....	7	Benicia,.....	Solano,.....	" " " "	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	57	57	42 75
8 COLUMBIA,.....	8	Columbia,.....	Tuolumne,.....	" " " "	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	57	57	42 75
9 SHASTA,.....	9	Shasta,.....	Shasta,.....	" " " "	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	57	57	42 75
10 FOREST,.....	10	Forest City,.....	Sierra,.....	" " " "	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	57	57	42 75
11 SUTTER,.....	11	Sutter Creek,.....	Amador,.....	May 3, 1856.	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	44	44	33 00
12 MERO,.....	12	Merced,.....	Merced,.....	" " " "	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	44	44	33 00
13 WASHINGTON,.....	13	Mayville,.....	Yuba,.....	" " " "	"	7	8	8	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	122	122	91 50
14 HOWARD,.....	14	San Jose,.....	Santa Clara,.....	" " " "	"	2	2	2	2	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	2	123	123	96 75
15 CYRUS,.....	15	Yreka,.....	Siskiyou,.....	" " " "	"	16	17	17	18	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	64	64	48 00
16 ST. JAMES,.....	16	Placerville,.....	El Dorado,.....	May 8, 1857.	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	37	37	27 75
17 LIBANUS,.....	17	Iowa Hill,.....	Placer,.....	" " " "	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	25	25	18 75
18 GRASS VALLEY,.....	18	Grass Valley,.....	Nevada,.....	May 7, 1858.	4	4	4	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	79	79	59 25
19 TRINITY,.....	19	Weaverville,.....	Trinity,.....	" " " "	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2	29	29	21 75
20 FRANKLIN,.....	20	Oroville,.....	Butte,.....	" " " "	"	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	69	69	51 75
21 SIERRA,.....	21	Downville,.....	Sierra,.....	" " " "	"	5	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	33	33	24 75
22 PETALUMA,.....	22	Petaluma,.....	Sonoma,.....	" " " "	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	66	66	49 50
23 OLIVER,.....	23	Forest Hill,.....	Placer,.....	May 6, 1859.	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	15	15	11 25
24 LA FAYETTE,.....	24	Campdownville,.....	Yuba,.....	" " " "	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	21	21	15 75
25 GEORGETOWN,.....	25	Georgetown,.....	El Dorado,.....	May 4, 1860.	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	34	34	26 50
26 OAKLAND,.....	26	Oakland,.....	Alameda,.....	" " " "	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	102	102	76 50
27 DELTA,.....	27	Delta,.....	Placer,.....	May 10, 1861.	2	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	49	49	36 75
28 STOCKTON,.....	28	Stockton,.....	San Joaquin,.....	" " " "	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	40	40	30 00
29 MANANITA,.....	29	North San Juan,.....	Nevada,.....	" " " "	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2	49	49	36 75
30 NAPA,.....	30	Napa City,.....	Napa,.....	May 9, 1862	5	5	5	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	40	40	30 00
31 MARTINEZ,.....	31	Martinez,.....	Contra Costa,.....	" " " "	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2	40	40	30 00
32 QUINCY,.....	32	Quincy,.....	Plumas,.....	May 8, 1863.	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	46	46	34 50

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* Charter surrendered.	† Charter revoked.	‡ Consolidated with Sonoma, No. 2.	¶ Consolidated with Alameda, No. 36, under name of Oakland, No. 36.
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• Charter surrendered.

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1854.

*CHARLES M. RADOLIFF, *Gr. High Priest.* *A. B. HOY,..... *Grand King.*
*JOHN D. CREIGH, *Dep. Grand High Priest.* *HUGH G. PLATT, *Grand Scribe.*

1855.

*JOHN D. CREIGH, ... *Grand High Priest.* *WILLIAM W. TRAYLOR, *Grand King.*
*ISAAC DAVIS, ... *Dep. Grand High Priest.* *LEVERETT BRADLEY, *Grand Scribe.*

1856.

*ORANGE H. DIBBLE, *Grand High Priest.* WHITING G. WEST, ... *Grand King.*
*W. W. TRAYLOR, *Dep. Grand High Priest.* *JAMES A. JACKSON, *Grand Scribe.*

1857.

*WM. W. TRAYLOR, ... *Grand High Priest.* WHITING G. WEST, *Grand King.*
THOS. H. CASWELL, *Dep. Grand High Priest.* *JAMES A. JACKSON, *Grand Scribe.*

1858.

THOMAS H. CASWELL, *Grand High Priest.* *JAMES A. JACKSON, *Grand King.*
WHITING G. WEST, *Dep. Grand High Priest.* *HENRY HARE HARTLEY, ... *Grand Scribe.*

1859.

WHITING G. WEST, ... *Grand High Priest.* *AARON D. PARK, *Grand King.*
*H. H. HARTLEY, .. *Dep. Grand High Priest.* *LEWIS REYNOLDS, *Grand Scribe.*

1860.

*HENRY H. HARTLEY, *Grand High Priest.* *JAMES W. BICKNELL, *Grand King.*
*ADOLPHUS HOLLUB, *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* *EZRA HOWARD VAN DECAR, *Grand Scribe.*

1861.

*HENRY H. HARTLEY, *Grand High Priest.* *EZRA HOWARD VAN DECAR, *Grand King.*
*ADOLPHUS HOLLUB, *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* JOHN KIRKPATRICK, *Grand Scribe.*

1862.

*ADOLPHUS HOLLUB, .. *Grand High Priest.* JOHN KIRKPATRICK, .. *Grand King.*
*EZRA H. VAN DECAR, .. *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* *CHARLES MARSH, *Grand Scribe.*

1863.

*EZRA H. VAN DECAR, .. *Grand High Priest.* *CHARLES MARSH, *Grand King.*
JOHN KIRKPATRICK, .. *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* WILLIAM A. DAVIES, *Grand Scribe.*

1864.

*ISAAC DAVIS, *Grand High Priest.* *CHARLES MARSH, *Grand King.*
JOHN KIRKPATRICK, .. *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* WILLIAM A. DAVIES, *Grand Scribe.*

* Deceased.

1865.

JOHN KIRKPATRICK,.. *Grand High Priest.* WILLIAM A. DAVIES,..... *Grand King.*
 *CHAS. MARSH,.. *Dep. Grand High Priest.* *ISAAC S. TITUS,..... *Grand Scribe.*

1866.

*CHARLES MARSH, ... *Grand High Priest.* *ISAAC S. TITUS,..... *Grand King.*
 WM. A. DAVIES,.. *Dep. Grand High Priest.* *JOHN W. HARVILLE,..... *Grand Scribe.*

1867.

*ISAAC S. TITUS,.... *Grand High Priest.* *JOHN W. HARVILLE,.. .. *Grand King.*
 *JAS. A. JACKSON,.. *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* *GEORGE T. GRIMES, *Grand Scribe.*

1868.

*JOHN W. HARVILLE, *Grand High Priest.* *JAS. LAWRENCE ENGLISH, .. *Grand King.*
 *GEORGE T. GRIMES, *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* JACOB H. NEFF,..... *Grand Scribe.*

1870.

*GEORGE T. GRIMES,.. *Grand High Priest.* JACOB H. NEFF, *Grand King.*
 *JAS. LAW. ENGLISH, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* STEPHEN WING,..... *Grand Scribe.*

1871.

*JAS. L. ENGLISH,.. *Grand High Priest.* STEPHEN WING,..... *Grand King.*
 JACOB H. NEFF,..... *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* *JOSEPH ISAAOS,..... *Grand Scribe.*

1872.

JACOB H. NEFF, *Grand High Priest.* WM. THOMAS REYNOLDS,.... *Grand King.*
 *JOSEPH ISAAOS, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* WM. ALEXANDER JANUARY, *Grand Scribe.*

1873.

WM. A. DAVIES,.... *Grand High Priest.* WM. THOMAS REYNOLDS,.. *Grand King.*
 *JOSEPH ISAAOS,..... *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* WM. ALEXANDER JANUARY, *Grand Scribe.*

1874.

WM. ALEX. JANUARY, *Grand High Priest.* JOHN MILLS BROWNE,..... *Grand King.*
 WM. T. REYNOLDS,.. *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* HENRY HAY KNAFF,..... *Grand Scribe.*

1875.

WM. T. REYNOLDS,.. *Grand High Priest.* HENRY HAY KNAFF,..... *Grand King.*
 *ALEX. G. ABELL,.. *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* NATHAN W. SPAULDING,.. *Grand Scribe.*

1876.

*ALEX. G. ABELL,.... *Grand High Priest.* JOHN MILLS BROWNE,..... *Grand King.*
 HENRY HAY KNAFF, *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* NATHAN W. SPAULDING,.. *Grand Scribe.*

1877.

HENRY HAY KNAFF, *Grand High Priest.* NATHAN W. SPAULDING,.. *Grand King.*
 JOHN MILLS BROWNE, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* WILEY JAMES TINNIN,.... *Grand Scribe.*

1878.

JOHN MILLS BROWNE, *Grand High Priest.* WILEY JAMES TINNIN,..... *Grand King.*
 NATHAN W. SPAULDING, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* HENRY SAYRE ORME,..... *Grand Scribe.*

1879.

NATHAN W. SPAULDING, *Gr. High Priest.* HENRY SAYRE ORME,..... *Grand King.*
 WILEY JAMES TINNIN, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE, *Grand Scribe.*

*Deceased.

1880.

WILEY JAMES TINNIN, *Gr. High Priest.* WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE, *Grand King.*
HENRY SAYRE ORME, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* *LEONIDAS E PRATT, *Grand Scribe.*

1881.

HENRY SAYRE ORME, *Grand High Priest.* *LEONIDAS E PRATT, *Grand King.*
WM. MONROE PETRIE, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* *JONATHAN DOAN HINES, *Grand Scribe.*

1882.

WM. MONROE PETRIE, *Grand High Priest.* *JONATHAN DOAN HINES, *Grand King.*
*LEONIDAS E PRATT, *D. Grand High Priest.* EDWARD COLEMAN, *Grand Scribe.*

1883.

*LEONIDAS E PRATT, *Grand High Priest.* EDWARD COLEMAN, *Grand King.*
*JONATHAN DOAN HINES, *D. Gr. H. Priest.* BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE, *Gr. Scribe.*

1884.

*JONATHAN DOAN HINES, *Grand H. Priest.* BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE, *Gr. King.*
EDWARD COLEMAN, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* *MICHAEL JAMES KEATING, *Grand Scribe.*

1885.

EDWARD COLEMAN, *Grand High Priest.* *MICHAEL JAMES KEATING, *Grand King.*
BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE, *D. G. H. P.* WILLIAM THOMPSON LUTHER, *Gr. Scribe.*

1886.

BENJAMIN F. TUTTLE, *Grand High Priest.* WM. THOMPSON LUTHER, *Grand King.*
*MICHAEL JAS. KEATING, *D. G. H. Priest.* WILLIAM VANDERHURST, *Grand Scribe.*

1887.

*MICHAEL JAMES KEATING, *G. High Priest.* WILLIAM VANDERHURST, *Grand King.*
WM. THOMPSON LUTHER, *D. Gr. H. Priest.* *CARNOT COURTLAND MASON, *Gr. Scribe.*

1888.

WILLIAM THOMPSON LUTHER, *G. H. Priest.* *CARNOT COURTLAND MASON, *Grand King.*
WILLIAM VANDERHURST, *D. Gr. H. Priest.* FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, *Grand Scribe.*

1889.

WILLIAM VANDERHURST, *G. High Priest.* FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, *Grand King.*
*CARNOT COURTLAND MASON, *D. G. H. P.* MILTON HILLS MYRICK, *Grand Scribe.*

1890.

FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, *Gr. High Priest.* WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS, *Grand King.*
MILTON HILLS MYRICK, *Dep. Gr. H. P.* CHARLES RAY GRITMAN, *Grand Scribe.*

1891.

MILTON HILLS MYRICK, *Gr. High Priest.* CHARLES RAY GRITMAN, *Grand King.*
WM. BUCKLEY DAVIS, *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD, *Gr. Scribe.*

1892.

WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS, *Gr. High Priest.* ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD, *Gr. King.*
CHARLES RAY GRITMAN, *D. G. High Priest.* ADOLPHUS HEWEL, *Grand Scribe.*

*Deceased.

GRAND CONVENTION
OF THE
ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTS
OF THE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

Thirty-third Annual Grand Convention.

The thirty-third Annual Grand Convention of the Order of High Priests of the State of California assembled in the Masonic Temple, on Tuesday, the nineteenth day of April, 1892, at eight o'clock p. m.

There were present the following

OFFICERS:

The M. E. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES,.....*President;*
" R. E. JACOB HART NEFF,.....*Vice-President;*
" R. E. HIRAM TROOP GRAVES,.....*Treasurer;*
" R. E. THEODORE EDWARD SMITH,.....*Recorder;*
" R. E. EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES,*Master of Ceremonies;*
" R. E. FRANKLIN HENRY DAY,.....*Conductor;*
" R. E. DAVID PUGH MARSHALL,.....*Herald;*
" R. E. THOMAS KYLE,.....*Steward.*

Also Companions JOHN GOULD BISBEE, ELI TUCKER BLACKMER, EDWARD COLEMAN, ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD, WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS, WILLIAM THOMPSON LUTHER, MORRIS MEHON, NATHANIEL MERRILL, WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE and WILLIAM VANDERHURST.

The M. E. President appointed Companion ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD Chaplain *pro tempore*, and the Grand Convention was opened in *Due form*.

The reading of the minutes of the proceedings of the last Annual Grand Convention was dispensed with, the members being furnished with printed copies thereof.

Applications, accompanied by the proper certificates, were received from the following named Companions :—

WILLIAM HENRY DAVIS,.....	High Priest of <i>San Francisco</i> Chapter, No. 1				
JACOB HYMAN, JR.,.....	" " "	<i>Sacramento</i>	"	"	3
GEORGE DIETTERLE,.....	" " "	<i>California</i>	"	"	5
ALLAN BRYANT,.....	" " "	<i>Santa Rosa</i>	"	"	45
JAMES WALKER,.....	Past " " "	<i>Ventura</i>	"	"	50
KAUFMAN GREEN,.....	" " "	<i>San Luis</i>	"	"	62
GEORGE EDWIN KENNEDY,.....	Past " " "	<i>Doric</i>	"	"	66
CARLOS FREDERICK MANSUR,.....	" " "	<i>Crown</i>	"	"	73

Which applications were referred to a committee consisting of Companions ELI TUCKER BLACKMER, MORRIS MEHON and EDWARD COLEMAN.

After due consideration, the committee reported favorably; whereupon the companions were balloted for and duly elected to receive the Order of High Priesthood.

Companions WILLIAM HENRY DAVIS, JACOB HYMAN, JR., GEORGE DIETTERLE, ALLAN BRYANT, JAMES WALKER, KAUFMAN GREEN, GEORGE EDWIN KENNEDY and CARLOS FREDERICK MANSUR were severally introduced and received the Order of High Priesthood.

The Treasurer stated that all bills were paid and there was still a small balance in his hands.

The Recorder reported the

RECEIPTS :

Fees from candidates.....	\$40 00
Assessments	70 00
Total.....	\$110 00

DISBURSEMENTS :

Postage	\$ 5 00
Janitor	5 00
Recorder	10 00
	20 00

Leaving a balance of..... \$90 00

The next business in order being the election of officers for the ensuing year, the M. E. President appointed Companions WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS and THOMAS KYLE as tellers. Ballots being taken, the following named Companions were declared elected :—

The M. E. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES.....*President;*
 " R. E. JACOB HART NEFF,.....*Vice-President;*
 " R. E. WILEY JAMES TINNIN,.....*Chaplain;*
 " R. E. HIRAM THEBOOF GRAVES,.....*Treasurer;*
 " R. E. THEODORE EDWARD SMITH,.....*Recorder;*
 " R. E. EDWARD RICHARDS HEDGES,.....*Master of Ceremonies;*
 " R. E. FRANKLIN HENRY DAY,.....*Conductor;*
 " R. E. DAVID PUGH MARSHALL,.....*Herald;*
 " R. E. THOMAS KYLE,.....*Steward.*

The officers were then duly installed.

There being no further business, the Grand Convention was closed
 in *But first.*

THEODORE EDWARD SMITH,
Recorder.

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS

OF THE

GRAND CONVENTION OF HIGH PRIESTS.

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" R. E. THOMAS KYLE,.....	<i>Steward.</i>

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Adams, Frederick	Burr, Richard Palmer	Douglas, William John
Aitken, Robert	Bush, Charles Wilson	Drullard, Thompson Wilson
Akerly, Benjamin	Byrtle, Daniel Potter	Dundas, Moubrey Robert
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Bellamy, Benson Clark	Crawford, Isaac Samuel	Goldsworthy, John
Bisbee, John Gould	Crawford, James Ruth	Graham, Thomas Jefferson
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Blackmer, Eli Tucker	Crouch, Robert	Halsey, Abraham
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Lawson, Powell Samuel	Purdy, John Elbridge	Variel, Joshua Hutchings
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Mann, Orrin Francis	Rogers, Sam'l Josiah Smith	Wilhelm, Theodore Henry
Mannon, James Milton	Rolfe, Ianthis Jerome	Wilson, Thomas Jefferson
Mansur, Carlos Frederick	Rooney, Robert Fleming	Wing, Stephen—171.

DIED :

Ellen, Elie	Poor, George	Rich, William Clinton—4.
Lawrence, William Lee		

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WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS, Sacramento.

Address of the Grand Secretary:

THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL, San Francisco.

Address of the Grand Lecturer:

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NOTICE.

The Thirty-ninth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of California will be holden at the Masonic Temple, in the City of San Francisco, commencing on Tuesday, the eighteenth day of April, A. L. 2423, A. D. 1893, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

THOMAS H. CASWELL,
Grand Secretary

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I, THOMAS H. CASWELL, Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of California, do hereby certify that the following pages contain a true and faithful transcript of the proceedings of that Body, at its Thirty-ninth Annual Convocation, commenced at the City of San Francisco on Tuesday, the eighteenth day of April, A. D. 1893, A. I. 2423, and of the returns of the subordinate Chapters and other matters authorized to be published.



In Testimony Whereof,

I have hereunto appended my official signature, and have affixed the Seal of the Grand Chapter of the State of California, at the City of San Francisco, this twenty-fifth day of April, A. D. 1893, A. I. 2423.

Thos H. Caswell,
Grand Secretary.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND CHAPTER
OF
ROYAL ARCH MASONS
OF THE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
AT ITS
THIRTY-NINTH ANNUAL CONVOCATION,
HELD AT THE
Masonic Temple, City of San Francisco;
COMMENCED ON
TUESDAY, APRIL 18, A. D. 1893, A. I. 2423,
AND TERMINATED ON
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Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons

OF THE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA,

For the year commencing April, A. I. 2423, and ending April, A. I. 2424.

M. E. CHARLES RAY GRITMAN, .. GRAND HIGH PRIEST, *Napa;*
R. E. ELLISON L. CRAWFORD, DEP. GRAND HIGH PRIEST, .. *Georgetown;*
R. E. ADOLPHUS HEWEL, GRAND KING, *Modesto;*
R. E. THOMAS FLINT, SR., GRAND SCRIBE, *San Juan;*
R. E. FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, GRAND TREASURER, *San Francisco;*
R. E. THOS. HUBBARD CASWELL, GRAND SECRETARY, *San Francisco;*
E. ALFRED THOS. PERKINS, .. GRAND CHAPLAIN, *Alameda;*
E. THOS. HUBBARD CASWELL, .. GRAND LECTURER, *San Francisco;*
E. WILLIAM FRANK PIERCE, .. GRAND CAPT. OF THE HOST, .. *Oakland;*
E. ELI TUCKER BLACKMER, GRAND ROYAL ARCH CAP'N, .. *San Diego;*
Comp. SAMUEL DAVID MAYER, GRAND ORGANIST, *San Francisco;*
" JAMES OGLESBY, GRAND GUARD, *San Francisco.*

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

THIRTY-NINTH ANNUAL CONVOCATION.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of California commenced its thirty-ninth Annual Convocation at the Masonic Temple, in the City of San Francisco, on Tuesday, the eighteenth day of April, A. D. 1893, A. I. 2423, at ten o'clock, A. M.

Upon calling the roll of members, there were found present the following—

GRAND OFFICERS:

The M. E.	WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS,	Grand High Priest;
" R. E.	CHARLES RAY GRITMAN,	Deputy Grand High Priest;
" R. E.	ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD,	Grand King;
" R. E.	ADOLPHUS HEWEL,	Grand Scribe;
" R. E.	HIRAM THEROOF GRAVES,	Grand Treasurer;
" R. E.	THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL,	Grand Secretary;
" E.	ALFRED THOMAS PERKINS,	Grand Chaplain;
" E.	THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL,	Grand Lecturer;
" E.	THOMAS FLINT, SR.,	Grand Capt. of the Host;
" E.	WILLIAM FRANK PIERCE,	Grand Royal Arch Captain;
Comp.	SAMUEL DAVID MAYER,	Grand Organist;
"	JAMES OGLESBY,	Grand Guard;

PAST GRAND OFFICERS:

The M. E.	THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL,	Past Grand High Priest;
" M. E.	JACOB HART NEFF,	" " " "
" M. E.	WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES,	" " " "
" M. E.	HENRY HAY KNAPP,	" " " "
" M. E.	HENRY SAYRE ORME,	" " " "
" M. E.	WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE,	" " " "
" M. E.	EDWARD COLEMAN,	" " " "
" M. E.	BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE,	" " " "
" M. E.	WILLIAM THOMPSON LUTHER,	" " " "
" M. E.	WILLIAM VANDERHURST,	" " " "
" M. E.	FRANKLIN HENRY DAY,	" " " "
" M. E.	MILTON HILLS MYRICK,	" " " "
" R. E.	STEPHEN WING,	Past Grand King;

REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND CHAPTERS:

THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL,Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas;
 FRANKLIN HENRY DAY,Arizona and Illinois;
 WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE,Colorado and Georgia;
 CHARLES RAY GRITMAN,Connecticut;
 WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES,District of Columbia, Missouri and Virginia;
 EDWARD COLEMAN,Indiana and Maine;
 WILLIAM VANDERHURST,Iowa and Mississippi;
 HENRY HAY KNAPP,Kansas and North Carolina;
 JACOB HART NEFF,Maryland and Nova Scotia;
 BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE,Nebraska;
 HENRY SAYRE ORME,New York;
 MILTON HILLS MYRICK,North Dakota;
 WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS,Quebec;
 WILLIAM THOMPSON LUTHER,South Carolina;
 ADOLPHUS HEWEL,South Dakota;

And the Representatives of fifty-three chartered Chapters, Delegates of Chapters under dispensation, together with a number of Past High Priests by service within the jurisdiction, entitled to seats.

There being more than a sufficient representation present, the Grand Chapter of California was opened in *Imple Form*, with music by the Choir, and prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

The Grand High Priest announced the following committee—

On Credentials: { Comp. Florin Leslie Jones,
 " Samuel Hunter Montgomery,
 " Calvin Levi Gregory.

After a brief recess, the committee presented the following report of officers of the chartered Chapters, or their duly appointed proxies, delegates of Chapters under dispensation, and Past High Priests by service within the jurisdiction, as being present and entitled to seats, viz.: from—

<i>San Francisco</i> , No. 1,....	{	CHARLES JAMES KING, High Priest; MILTON HILLS MYRICK, THEODORE EDWARD SMITH, ISAAC PHILANSON KINCAID, MOUBRAY ROBERT DUNDAS, WILLIAM HENRY DAVIS,	{	Past High Priests.
<i>Sonora</i> ,.....No. 2,....	{	EDUARD KEIL, High Priest and Past High Priest; STEPHEN WING, Past High Priest.		
<i>Sacramento</i> , ...No. 3,....	{	JOHN HUBLEY, High Priest; POWELL SAMUEL LAWSON, WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE, WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS, ALEXANDER JOHN GARDINER,	{	Past High Priests.

<i>California</i> ,.....No. 5,....	<div> <div> <div>ROBERT ASH, High Priest;</div> <div>CHARLES WILLIAM DECKER, King ;</div> <div>JOHN ALLEN HOMER, Scribe ;</div> <div>HIRAM THEROF GRAVES,</div> <div>FRANKLIN HENRY DAY,</div> <div>DAVID PUGH MARSHALL,</div> <div>HENRY ASCROFT,</div> <div>THOMAS KYLE,</div> <div>WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES,</div> </div> <div>}</div> <div>Past High Priests.</div> </div>
<i>Nevada</i> ,.....No. 6,....	<div> <div> <div>GEORGE LOVETT HUGHES, High Priest ;</div> <div>THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL,</div> <div>IANTHIS JEROME ROLFE,</div> </div> <div>}</div> <div>Past High Priests.</div> </div>
<i>Shasta</i> ,.....No. 9,....	MORRIS MEHON, High Priest and Past High Priest.
<i>Sutter</i> ,.....No. 11,....	WILLIAM HENRY GUNSOLUS, High Priest.
<i>Merced</i> ,.....No. 12,...	ROBERT GRACEY, High Priest.
<i>Washington</i> ,...No. 13,....	WILLIAM FLINT PEACOCK, High Priest.
<i>Howard</i>.....No. 14,....	<div> <div> <div>SAMUEL HOPKINS WAGNER, High Priest ;</div> <div>WILLIAM HENRY HAYDOCK, King ;</div> <div>RALPH LOWE, Past High Priest.</div> </div> <div>}</div> </div>
<i>Cyrus</i> , No. 15,....	<div> <div> <div>CALVIN LEVI GREGORY, High Priest and P. H. P.;</div> <div>CHARLES AMOS LARISON, King.</div> </div> <div>}</div> </div>
<i>St. James</i> ,.....No. 16,....	<div> <div> <div>HENRY SYLVESTER MOREY, High Priest ;</div> <div>GEORGE HUNTINGTON BURNHAM, Past High Priest.</div> </div> <div>}</div> </div>
<i>Grass Valley</i> ,...No. 18,....	<div> <div> <div>THEODORE HENRY WILHELM, P.H.P. & pr. f. H.P.,K.&S.</div> <div>EDWARD COLEMAN, Past High Priest.</div> </div> <div>}</div> </div>
<i>Franklin</i> ,.....No. 20,....	<div> <div> <div>THOMAS WILSON SERVISS, High Priest ;</div> <div>CHARLES FAYETTE LOTT, Past High Priest.</div> </div> <div>}</div> </div>
<i>Sierra</i> ,.....No. 21,....	<div> <div> <div>ELIPHALET LEWIS CASE, High Priest ;</div> <div>WILLIAM THOMPSON LUTHER, Past High Priest.</div> </div> <div>}</div> </div>
<i>Petaluma</i> ,.....No. 22,....	BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE, Past High Priest.
<i>Georgetown</i> ,...No. 25,....	ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD, High Priest and P. H. P.
<i>Della</i> ,.....No. 27,....	<div> <div> <div>JOHN GOULD BISEE, High Priest and Past High Priest ;</div> <div>JOHN MATHIAS FULWEILER, Past High Priest.</div> </div> <div>}</div> </div>
<i>Stockton</i> ,.....No. 28,....	WILLIAM HENRY STONE, King.
<i>Manzanita</i> ,...No. 29,....	JOHN STORER MOBRIDE, High Priest & Past High Priest.
<i>Napa</i> ,.....No. 30,....	<div> <div> <div>FREDERICK N. GILES, King ;</div> <div>HENRY HAY KNAPP,</div> <div>CHARLES RAY GRITMAN,</div> </div> <div>}</div> <div>Past High Priests.</div> </div>
<i>Martinez</i> ,.....No. 31,	LEWIS CASS WITTENMYER, High Priest and P. H. P.
<i>Los Angeles</i> ,...No. 33,....	JOHN GOLDSWORTHY, High Priest and Past High Priest.
<i>Alturas</i> ,No. 34,....	JOSHUA HUTCHINS VAREL, P. H. P. and prox. for King.
<i>Naval</i> ,No. 35,	GEORGE ROUNDS, P. H. P. and prox. for High Priest.
<i>Oakland</i> ,No. 36,....	WILLIAM FRANK PIERCE, Past High Priest.
<i>Siloam</i> ,.....No. 37,....	<div> <div> <div>JOHN BUTLER, High Priest ;</div> <div>JACOB HART NEFF, Past High Priest.</div> </div> <div>}</div> </div>
<i>Santa Cruz</i> ,...No. 38,....	THOMPSON WILSON DRULLARD, High Priest & P. H. P.

The Grand High Priest then delivered his Annual Address, as follows:—

COMPANIONS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF CALIFORNIA:—

Leaving your homes and the cares of business for a short period to participate in the thirty-ninth Annual Convocation of this Grand Body, permit me to extend to each of you, one and all, a cordial greeting. The past year has been one of unusual activity and prosperity among the Royal Craft. Let us, therefore, at the beginning of our labors, render thanksgiving and praise to "Him who holdeth all things in the hollow of His hand," for the many blessings we have enjoyed and the fostering care vouchsafed to our ancient and time-honored institution.

No questions of Masonic law have been referred to me for adjudication. The Constitution and Regulations are so plain that it is hardly possible for any Royal Arch Mason to go astray. The consequence is the Committee on Grievances have no arduous duties to perform. So may it continue for all time to come. The Bonds of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer were filed with me immediately after the close of the last Annual Convocation, and are now in the hands of the Finance Committee.

In the matter of the late *Oliver* Chapter, No. 23, referred to in the proceedings of 1892, page 277: On the twelfth of October last, by your authority, I conveyed all right and interest in the hall at Forest Hill, Placer county, belonging to said Chapter, to *Rising Star* Lodge, No. 83, F. and A. M., with the proviso that it release *Oliver* Chapter, No. 23, from all indebtedness to said Lodge. On the thirty-first of October the required release was received, bearing date October 26th, which I also placed in the hands of the Finance Committee.

On the eighth of January Comp. CHAS. E. GILLETTE informed me that, owing to circumstances beyond his control, it would be impossible for him to prepare the Report on Foreign Correspondence, and requested that another companion be appointed in his place. The time for our Annual Convocation being so near at hand rendered it very embarrassing to fill the vacancy, but our beloved Past Grand High Priest, WILLIAM A. DAVIES, was equal to the emergency, and came to the rescue. His thorough Masonic knowledge and ever ready pen eminently qualifies him to discharge any of those important duties, even if called upon at the eleventh hour. His long services in this Grand Chapter entitle him to the love and respect of every Royal Arch Mason in California. He has been tried on many occasions, and never found wanting. "The laborer is worthy of his hire," and it is sincerely to be hoped that the Finance Committee will not allow Comp. DAVIES to go unrewarded.

Dispensations for new Chapters have been granted as follows:—

July 26th, 1892, Hanford, Tulare county, to be called *Hanford* Chapter—CHAS. C. VAN VALKENBURG, High Priest; FRANCIS A. BLAKELY, King; GILBERT E. SHORE, Scribe.

November 14th, Bakersfield, Kern county, to be called *Kern Valley* Chapter—ALVAH R. CONKLIN, High Priest; BENJAMIN BRUNDAGE, King; WIRT R. MACMURDO, Scribe.

Owing to the storms last winter a number of the Chapters were unable to hold their annual meetings. Dispensations were issued to elect officers as follows:—

On January 5th, 1893, to *Delta* Chapter, No. 27;

On January 24th, 1893, to *Libanus* Chapter, No. 17;

On February 18th, 1893, to *Visalia* Chapter, No. 44; and

On March 8th, 1893, to *California* Chapter, No. 5, to elect a Treasurer.

On March 5th, 1893, dispensation issued to *San Francisco* Chapter, No. 1, permitting the use of two substitutes.

Amendments to By-Laws of the various Chapters have been approved as follows:—

May 18th, 1892, *Delta* Chapter, No. 27, reducing fees for degrees;

June 1st, 1892, *Crown* Chapter, No. 72, reducing dues;

June 27th, 1892, *Riverside* Chapter, No. 67, reducing fees for degrees;

July 5th, 1892, *Keystone* Chapter, No. 56, reducing fees for degrees;

August 8th, 1892, *Martinez* Chapter, No. 31, reducing fees for degrees;

August 28th, 1892, *Petaluma* Chapter, No. 22, reducing fees for degrees;

October 8th, 1892, *Oakland* Chapter, No. 36, reducing fees for degrees;

December 10th, 1892, *Hanford* Chapter, U. D., to abolish affiliation fee;

January 5th, 1893, *Acacia* Chapter, No. 64, reducing fees for degrees.

In many cases the certificates relative to the change of By-Laws had to be returned. General Regulation No. 23 is very explicit and can not be ignored. If the Secretaries would observe said regulation, they would, on many occasions, save time and inconvenience.

APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES.

July 5th, 1892, to Comp. HORACE E. MANN, to represent this Grand Chapter near the Grand Chapter of Wisconsin, *vice* M. M. COTHRAN, deceased.

December 5th, 1892, to Comp. HENRY B. FLEMING, to represent this Grand Chapter near the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick.

On the twenty-eighth of September last I visited the Grand Chapter of Ohio at its seventy-sixth Annual Convocation, held in the city of Zanesville. It was in this jurisdiction I received my first lessons in Capitular Masonry. I was received by the companions of the Buckeye State with a hearty welcome, and treated with all the respect and courtesy due to your Chief Officer.

While visiting in the State of Maryland, I tarried one day in the city of Baltimore and was most royally entertained by that chief of Royal Arch Masons, Comp. GEO. L. McCAHAN, who so ably fills the position of Deputy General Grand High Priest, and now Acting General Grand High Priest. To Past Grand High Priest HENRY C. LARABEE, Grand Scribe WM. H. SHYROCK, and a host of other companions I am under many obligations for kind attentions. In fact, from the time of my arrival in the old Monumental City until my departure, everything in the way of attentions and entertainments was lavished upon me. Companions of old Maryland, many thanks. Should you ever drift to this land of the far-setting sun, we will be delighted to reciprocate with like courtesies.

Death, whose cold and icy fingers are continually closing around us, has entered our Grand Chapter since last we met. We shall never again behold the stately form and genial countenance of Past Grand High Priest ISAAC S. TITUS. He passed away in the city of Phoenix, Arizona, on the twenty-second of April, 1892. He was buried in the city of Stockton on the first day of May following. The Grand Lodge was convened in Special Communication to perform the last sad rites. I was present at the funeral and received many courtesies from the then Grand Master of Masons of this State. Comp. TITUS was born in Auburn, New York, October 14th, 1827. His administrative abilities were of a high order, as our records show. He was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge from October 18th, 1873, to October 17th, 1874; Grand High Priest from October 14th, 1867, to October 20th, 1868; Grand Master of the Grand Council from May 6th, 1863, to October 5th, 1864, and Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery from October 17th, 1867, to October 23d, 1868.

Our sister jurisdiction Tennessee mourns the loss of her zealous and devoted Past Grand High Priest, TOWNSEND A. THOMAS, whose name and labors figure more prominently than any other in the early history of this Grand Chapter. When the representatives of the three chartered Chapters met in Sacramento, May 6th, 1854, Comp. THOMAS called the assemblage to order and bore an important part in framing the Constitution. Subsequently, when they met in San Francisco on the twenty-eighth of July and completed the organization by the election of Grand Officers, he was chosen Grand Secretary, and was continuously re-elected to that office until his removal from the State. In the death of Comp. THOMAS the last living link has been severed of that eventful gathering May 6th, 1854. He was born in Loudon county, Virginia, December 19th, 1819, and died in the city of Clarksville, Tenn., April 25th, 1892. I would recommend that a memorial page be dedicated to his memory in our proceedings in loving remembrance of his early labors in this Grand Jurisdiction.

Our neighboring jurisdiction, the Grand Chapter of Oregon, is bowed down in sorrow. Its efficient and able Grand Secretary, ROCKY PRESTON EARHART, is no more. He was born in Columbus, Ohio, June 23, 1836, and died at Portland, Oregon, May 11th, 1892.

Our far off sister jurisdiction, the Grand Chapter of Florida, has parted with its loved and valued Grand Secretary, DEWITT C. DAWKINS, whose fame and reputation as a Masonic writer was known all over the Masonic world. He was among the early Grand High Priests of that State, and for the last quarter of a century filled the office of Grand Secretary with remarkable zeal and ability. He was born in the State of Georgia, April 30th, 1829; closed his earthly career at Jacksonville, Florida, October 5th, 1892.

The grim tyrant has made a demand upon our General Grand Chapter, and JOSEPH POTTS HORNER, our talented General Grand High Priest, crossed the river of death on the twenty-fourth of January, 1893, in the city of New Orleans. Comp. HORNER was born in the city of New York, March 18th, 1837, but in early life removed to New Orleans. He was Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Louisiana in 1873 and 1874. His first appearance in the

General Grand Chapter was at Buffalo, N. Y., in 1877. He was elected General Grand Principal Sojourner 1880, General Grand Scribe 1883, General Grand King 1886, Deputy General Grand High Priest 1889, and at the last Triennial Convocation at Minneapolis he was unanimously called to the office of General Grand High Priest. He discharged the duties of his high office with distinguished ability until summoned to appear before the General Grand High Priest above. All honor to the memory of our beloved and lamented Chief.

CHAPTERS VISITED.

I have devoted as much time visiting Chapters, which involved a travel of several thousand miles, as could be consistently spared from business engagements. To go into details of how I was received and entertained would occupy too much of your valuable time. I can only say that everywhere I went I was courteously received and entertained in princely style.

On May 28th, 1892, I visited *Siloam* Chapter, No. 37, Colfax. Past Grand High Priest NZFF presided over this Chapter, which is a sufficient guarantee of success in every particular.

On August 29th, *Donner* Chapter, No. 39, Truckee.

On October 5th, *Cyrus* Chapter, No. 15, Yreka.

On October 25th, *California* Chapter, No. 5, San Francisco.

On November 19th, *Orange* Chapter, No. 73, Santa Ana.

On November 21st, *Riverside* Chapter, No. 67, Riverside.

On November 22d, *Keystone* Chapter, No. 56, San Bernardino.

On November 23d, *Crown* Chapter, No. 72, Pasadena.

On November 25th, *San Diego* Chapter, No. 61, San Diego.

On November 26th, *Los Angeles* Chapter, No. 33, and *Signet* Chapter, No. 57, Los Angeles. Past Grand High Priest ORME is always on deck and never tires in the good work. Long may he live to labor in the good cause.

On December 16th, *Napa* Chapter, No. 30, Napa City. Those old, true and tried veterans, Past Grand High Priest KNAPP and Deputy Grand High Priest GRITMAN, are always at their posts and never found wanting.

On January 21st, 1893, *Ventura* Chapter, No. 50, San Buenaventura.

On January 23d, *Corinthian* Chapter, No. 51, Santa Barbara.

On January 24th, *San Luis* Chapter, No. 62, San Luis Obispo.

On February 24th, *Merced* Chapter, No. 12, Merced.

On February 25th, *Modesto* Chapter, No. 49, Modesto.

To the last two named Chapters I was accompanied by our Grand Scribe, Comp. ADOLPHUS HEWEL, and was greatly benefited by his presence.

On March 3d, *Salinas* Chapter, No. 59, Salinas. Past Grand High Priest VANDERHURST is always prompt in his attendance and full of zeal and enthusiasm in the cause of Royal Arch Masonry.

On March 4th, *Howard* Chapter, No. 14, San Jose.

On March 18th, *Chico* Chapter, No. 42, Chico. The spirit of our lamented companion, CARNOT COURTLAND MASON, is ever present in this Chapter, and his portrait hanging in their beautiful hall admonishes them to persevere in the good work.

On March 20th, *San Francisco* Chapter, No. 1, San Francisco.

On March 22d, *Oakland* Chapter, No. 26, Oakland.

On March 24th, *Red Bluff* Chapter, No. 40, Red Bluff.

On March 31st, *Sutter* Chapter, No. 11, Sutter Creek.

Sacramento Chapter, No. 3, being my home Chapter, I have visited many times during the year.

All the Chapters are in a prosperous condition. In the several visitations, work was done or exemplified in a very creditable manner. It was most gratifying to behold the commodious halls occupied by the Chapters, and the intelligent faces who assemble there. The business-like manner in which the records and the books of marks are kept was particularly gratifying to witness. In all cases the season of refreshment was not neglected, the universal verdict being that "It was good to be there." Peace and harmony reigned supreme in the breasts of all. These events have made such an impression on me that I shall, in the future, look back with pride and satisfaction to the year I presided over the Royal Craft of California, and esteem it the most pleasant one of my life; and nothing but death can ever obliterate it from my memory.

Companions, my labors are at an end. It has been the height of my ambition to serve you and our beloved Order to the best of my humble ability. The result I now leave in your hands, duly sensible of the fact that I have accomplished but little; but relying upon you that the mantle of charity will be accorded to me, it will be my pleasure to surrender the scepter to a more competent companion to occupy this exalted station. My associations with the Grand Officers have been of the most pleasing character, and my thanks are hereby tendered for the many acts of kindness and words of encouragement received.

Twenty years ago last March, with other members of *Sacramento* Chapter, No. 3, we assisted the companions of *Woodland* in the organization and work of *Woodland* Chapter, No. 46. It was on this occasion I first met our Grand Secretary, then in the capacity of Grand Lecturer. Our acquaintance from that time to the present has ripened into a friendship which nothing but death alone can sever. His is a master mind, with long experience in Masonic law, and only those who have thus been associated with him can appreciate his invaluable services. May he be spared for many years to come.

And now, in conclusion, sincerely grateful for the high honor conferred upon me, it will be my aim in the future to answer the roll-call at every Annual Convocation for the remainder of the years allotted to me. May friendship and union continue unbroken and perpetual among us; may we be steadfast in our principles of fervency and zeal, and ever exemplify that purity of life and rectitude of conduct which alone will admit us into that heavenly sanctuary "Whose Builder and Maker is God."

WILLIAM B. DAVIS,

Grand High Priest.

The Address was referred to a special committee of three.

The Deputy Grand High Priest named as such committee—

On Grand High Priest's Address :.....	{	Comp. William Abraham Davies, " Jacob Hart Neff, " William Vanderhurst.
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The Grand Secretary presented his Annual Report, as follows :—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California :—

The undersigned respectfully submits this his fifteenth Annual Report of the transactions of his office since the last Annual Convocation, together with other matters requiring consideration by the Grand Chapter.

As soon as was possible (forty days) after the close of the last Annual Convocation, the transactions thereat were printed, and the usual number distributed, as follows : One copy to each of the Grand Officers and Past Grand Officers of this Grand Chapter ; one copy to each of our Representatives near other Grand Chapters ; three copies to each Grand Chapter with which we are in communication ; and four copies to each of the subordinate Chapters of this Grand Jurisdiction.

Dispensations for the formation of two new Chapters have been issued, as follows :—

On the twenty-sixth day of July, 1892, to Comps. CHARLES C VAN VALKENBURGH, FRANCIS ALGENE BLAKELY, GILBERT EDWARD SHORE, and sixteen other companions, to form a Chapter at Hanford, Tulare County, to be called *Hanford Chapter* ; and

On the fourteenth day of November, 1892, to Comps. ALVAH RUSSELL CONKLIN, BENJAMIN BRUNDAGE, WIRT ROBINSON MACMURDO, and six other companions, to form a Chapter at Bakersfield, Kern County, to be called *Kern Valley Chapter*.

The petitions for the dispensations and all the papers required by the Constitution, the Record Books, By-Laws and Books of Marks and returned dispensations, together with petitions for perpetuation by charter, are herewith submitted for reference to the usual committee.

By order of the Grand High Priest, the following special dispensations have been issued during the year, viz. :—

January fifth, 1893, to *Delta Chapter*, No. 27, to elect officers at a time other than that fixed by the Constitution.

On January twenty-fourth, 1893, to *Libanus Chapter*, No. 17, and on the eighteenth of February, 1893, to *Visalia Chapter*, No. 44, for the same purpose.

On March eighth, 1893, to *California Chapter*, No. 5, to elect a Treasurer to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of former incumbent ; and

On the tenth day of March, 1893, to *San Francisco Chapter*, No. 1, permitting the use of two substitutes in the ceremony of exaltation.

Commissions to Representatives near sister Grand Chapters, by order of the Grand High Priest, have been issued as follows :—

On July fifth, 1892, to Comp. HORACE E MANN, near the Grand Chapter of Wisconsin, *vice* Comp. M. M. COTHREN, deceased ; and

On the fifth day of December, 1892, to Comp. HENRY B. FLEMING, near the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick.

Amendments to the By-Laws of the following subordinate Chapters—all approved by the Grand High Priest—are herewith submitted for reference to the usual committee, viz.:—

Reducing fees for the degrees—*Petaluma*, No. 22; *Delta*, No. 27; *Martinez*, No. 31; *Oakland*, No. 36; *Keystone*, No. 56; *Acacia*, No. 64; and *Riverside*, No. 67.

Reducing monthly dues—*Crown*, No. 72.

Affiliation fee abolished—*Hanford*, U. D.

That the Chapters of the jurisdiction have been more than usually prosperous the past year, will appear from the following extracts from the summary of annual returns:—

Number exalted during the year,.....	321
“ affiliated,.....	132
“ restored,.....	22
	—
Total increase,.....	475
Number withdrawn,.....	91
“ excluded,.....	22
“ Suspended for non-payment of dues,.....	87
“ Died,.....	85
	—
Total decrease,.....	285
	—
Net increase for the year,.....	190
Total number of affiliated Royal Arch Masons, January 31st, 1893,.....	5,033
The following is a statement of the financial transactions of the Grand Secretary's office for the past year:—	
Received from chartered chapters for dues to January 31st, 1893,.....	\$3,750 00
“ “ late member of <i>Lakeport</i> Chapter,.....	12 00
“ “ late member of <i>Plumas</i> Chapter,.....	10 00
“ “ <i>Hanford</i> Chapter—Dispensation fee,.....	75 00
“ “ “ “ Dues to April 1st, 1893,.....	18 75
“ “ “ “ Charter fee,.....	50 00
“ “ <i>Kern Valley</i> Chapter—Dispensation fee,.....	75 00
“ “ “ “ Dues to April 1st, 1893,.....	6 75
“ “ “ “ Charter fee,.....	50 00
“ “ four dispensations to elect officers,.....	20 00
“ “ one dispensation to use two substitutes,.....	5 00
“ “ six diplomas,.....	12 00
“ “ sale of three volumes of <i>Proceedings</i> ,.....	6 00
“ “ dividends Masonic Hall Association,.....	1,700 00
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Making total receipts for the year,.....	\$5,790 50
Amount paid to Grand Treasurer, as per his receipts herewith presented,...	5,790 50
Thirty-two warrants have been drawn upon the Grand Treasurer,	
amounting in the aggregate to.....	\$3,406 95

his request, the undersigned undertakes the performance of that duty. Although distrustful of his ability to keep the standard of the Reports on Correspondence of the Grand Chapter of California at their present high repute, yet he assumes the work with the promise to make the best report he can, leaving the responsibility for the effort upon the broad shoulders of the Grand High Priest.

So much for the introduction of a new spoke into the Grand Chapter wheel, where "one substitute for temporary purposes" is always allowed; and now for the report.

WILLIAM A. DAVIES.

Your Committee on Correspondence herewith submits a report upon the transactions of the following Grand Chapters, being all that were received at the time we concluded our labors:—

ALABAMA,	1892	MONTANA,	1892
ARIZONA,	1892	NEBRASKA,	1892
ARKANSAS,	1892	NEVADA,	1892
CANADA,	1892	NEW HAMPSHIRE,	1892
COLORADO,	1892	NEW JERSEY,	1892
CONNECTICUT,	1892	NEW SOUTH WALES,	1892
DELAWARE,	1892	NEW YORK,	1892
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,	1892	NORTH CAROLINA,	1892
FLORIDA,	1892	NORTH DAKOTA,	1892
GEORGIA,	1892	NOVA SCOTIA,	1892
ILLINOIS,	1892	OHIO,	1892
INDIANA,	1892	OREGON,	1892
INDIAN TERRITORY,	1892	PENNSYLVANIA,	1892
IOWA,	1892	QUEBEC,	1892
KANSAS,	1892	RHODE ISLAND,	1892
KENTUCKY,	1892	SCOTLAND,	1892
LOUISIANA,	1892	SOUTH CAROLINA,	1892
MAINE,	1892	SOUTH DAKOTA,	1892
MARYLAND,	1892	TENNESSEE,	1892
MASSACHUSETTS,	1892	VERMONT,	1892
MICHIGAN,	1892	VIRGINIA,	1892
MINNESOTA,	1892	WASHINGTON,	1892
MISSISSIPPI,	1892	WISCONSIN,	1892
MISSOURI,	1892		

ALABAMA.

The Grand Chapter of Alabama held its sixty-sixth Annual Convocation at Montgomery December 5th, 1892,—the M. E. JAMES T. BECK, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the R. E. GEORGE A. JOINER being Grand Secretary. There were present seven Past Grand High Priests, eighteen Grand Representatives, and the representatives of thirty-seven chartered Chapters.

This volume of proceedings is prefaced with a fine portrait of the R. E. Grand Secretary, Comp. MYLES JEFFERSON GREENE, who died at his home in Montgomery June 27th, 1892. Comp. GREENE was also a Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alabama. The Grand High Priest gives testimony that "during his long, useful and active Masonic life he filled many high and important stations. To say that he filled all of them with zeal, with fidelity, with conspicuous ability, is but paying a faint tribute to his work and efficiency as a Mason and an officer. Comp. GREENE was a good man; he was an honest man, an up-

right Mason, a Christian gentleman." What could possibly be added that would strengthen this beautiful tribute to the sterling worth of one who has spent a lifetime "coming in and going out" before his neighbors. We observe, by the eulogy of the Grand High Priest, that in Masonry Comp. GREENE was a "native to the manor born," having been made a Mason in Alabama in 1849. We tender the sympathy of California in the great loss sustained by our elder in this bereavement.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address, which is confined generally to the routine business of the jurisdiction. No burning questions have arisen to disturb the Royal Arch family of Alabama during the year. The Address being referred, the committee reported as follows:—

"Your Committee on the M. E. Grand High Priest's Address, beg leave to submit the following report:—

"1. We have carefully examined the Address of the Grand High Priest, and from it we find that Capitular Masonry in Alabama is in a most healthy and prosperous condition. Several new Chapters have been organized and others restored. It would seem that a renewed interest is manifested; and good cheer comes up from all quarters."

The following resolutions were adopted by the Grand Chapter:—

"*Resolved*, That a ruling of the M. E. Grand High Priest in proceedings of the Grand Chapter of 1868, page 11, and proved by this Grand Chapter in the proceedings of 1869, page 24, to wit: 'That an applicant for the Chapter degrees, whose application has been rejected by a Chapter under this Grand Jurisdiction, must await the expiration of twelve months before his petition can be again received unless the objection is withdrawn,' be, and the same is hereby repealed; and the following is substituted therefor:—

"*Resolved*, That an applicant for Chapter degrees, whose application has been rejected by a Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction, may file another application to the same Chapter for the degrees at any subsequent convocation, unless prohibited by the By-Laws of such Chapter.

"Such subsequent petition must be made at a regular stated convocation of the Chapter, referred to a committee, and take the same course as the first."

The following action was had in regard to the appointment of Grand Representatives:—

"Comp. JOHN A. MCKINNON offered the following resolution, and it was adopted:—

"*Resolved*, That no companion of this Grand Chapter shall hold a commission as representative of more than one Grand Chapter near that of Alabama at any one time."

Comp. P. J. PILLANS presented the Report on Correspondence, which, as would be expected from so distinguished a veteran, is an able, comprehensive and painstaking review of the legislation of forty-one of the Grand Chapters of America. California, not being noticed, we suppose could not have "come to hand."

In reviewing Kansas he concludes by a salutation to Comp. BROWN in these words: "We have dwelt as long with Kansas as our limits will allow; so, with 'better luck next time,' Comp. BROWN, a good night." How often we use pleasant words with no thought of the full realization of all that the words imply. Comp. BROWN, good night! So say we all, companion, good night.

"He is gone, but his memory liveth;
He is dead; his example is here;
The sweetness and fragrance it giveth
Will linger for many a year."

We copy the following neighborly comment directed at Comp. GARDINER of New York:—

"We were very much pleased at reading his review of Scotland, as the proceedings of this Grand Chapter never reach us, and were almost tempted to give it to you entire, but thought that we would be occupying too much space. Nevertheless, we find that their sympathies are with us in our periods of mourning, and that they rejoice at our successes; that they are troubled with clandestine organizations as we are, and that sometimes samples of disrespect and insubordination to the supreme authority also occur there."

In his review of Texas he copies among the decisions of the Grand High Priest the following:—

"Does a Chapter Mason lose his standing in the Chapter by dimitting from the Lodge? In other words, what is the Chapter status of a Royal Arch Mason who does not belong to any Lodge and has not done so for ten or fifteen years?" To which I replied as follows:—

"I can find no decision bearing directly on the point in our Grand Jurisdiction, but by referring to Section 7, Title IV, Edicts and Resolutions of the Grand Chapter of Texas, you will find that subordinate Chapters are prohibited from conferring Chapter degrees of Royal Arch Masonry on any but affiliated Master Masons. Under my construction of said section, a non-affiliated Master Mason can have no standing in the Royal Arch Chapter, at least for any considerable length of time. As to the limit of time, I make no ruling, but in the case presented I rule that the companion has no standing in the Chapter."

"In making this ruling I was then and am now aware that my action would be severely criticised, especially by the large army of Royal Arch Masons who hold membership in many Chapters in this Grand Jurisdiction, but who are non-affiliated Master Masons. But after a careful investigation of the question I am thoroughly convinced that the principle stated is correct:—

"1. Because the Chapter is not authorized to confer the Chapter degrees on a non-affiliated Master Mason.

"2. Because, under our laws, Title XXVIII, Section 3, Edicts and Resolutions, suspension in the Lodge operates as a suspension in the Chapter.

"3. Because, in my opinion, a Mason should not be permitted to enjoy the privileges of the Lodge without contributing to its support.

"The Grand Chapter, however, was not ready to commit suicide, so it resolved as below, although the Committee on Jurisprudence reported favorably upon this ruling:—

"Resolved, That so much of the Most Excellent High Priest's Address as relates to enforced membership in a Master Mason's Lodge as a prerequisite to Chapter membership be not approved."

And here we chip in for California, and venture the assertion that the decision of the Grand High Priest is good Masonic law, founded on justice, and for the general good of Masonry. True it is that the local law of Texas may be framed for the protection of those who "toil not, neither do they spin," and answer "roll call" only when there's glory in it—a banquet, or if there's a band of music, and the subject is a prominent one. A funeral—but the law will be changed to meet the growth of Masonic opinion in Texas yet, and the Grand High Priest with his endorsers, the Committee on Jurisprudence, shall be vindicated. So mote it be.

The M. E. ALEXANDER MCKINNON was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. HENRY CLAY ARMSTRONG was elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held Monday before the first Tuesday in December, 1893.

ARIZONA.

The Grand Chapter of Arizona held its third Annual Convocation in the city of Phoenix, November 16th, 1892,—the M. E. GEORGE W. CHEYNEY, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the R. E. GEORGE JAMES ROSKRUGE being Grand Secretary. There were present ten Grand Representatives and the representatives of five chartered Chapters.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address. He congratulated the companions assembled upon the progress and prosperity of the Royal Family in Arizona, notwithstanding the year just passed had been uneventful. The greetings of the Grand Chapter of Arizona by sister jurisdictions had been prompt and unqualified. After mentioning the routine business of the year, of which the granting of one special dispensation was a part, he announced the deaths of several Past High Priests and also that of our M. E. companion and old time friend, Isaac S. Titus, who was temporarily sojourning in Arizona. The remains of Comp. Titus received all the kind attention that his friends and companions in California could ask for, and were returned to his old home for burial.

The report of the Treasurer, Comp. MARTIN W. KALES, marks the credit of the Grand Chapter as A 1, a handsome balance remaining after responding to the demands of vouchers 5, 6 and 7. KALES is a good Treasurer to have, and we are satisfied the Grand Chapter of Arizona will run, balance or no balance.

The Report on Correspondence was presented by Comp. HARRY B. LIGHTHIZER, Chairman. It is a fine review of the legislative proceedings of all the Grand Chapters under the jurisdiction of the General Grand Chapter. The report may be classed as a brilliant one and merits commendation.

He gives California favorable mention; compliments Comp. MYRICK on his practical Address, and tenders Comp. THOMAS H. the prayers of Arizona for his speedy recovery and return to his reportorial stool.

In reviewing Maine, he delivers himself in this creditable manner:—

"To those companions who have followed us in this, our maiden effort, it is needless to say that we concur fully in the views of Comp. DRUMMOND as to the peculiar duties devolved upon a Masonic reviewer, though it is quite apparent that we signally fail in our effort to "keep up with the procession," on the line of march indicated by him. We trust, however, that all adverse criticism of our work will be tempered by a just appreciation of the fact that our scholarly abilities, however limited, are handicapped by our *innate modesty*, lack of experience, and a somewhat superficial knowledge of the subjects we are called upon to discuss.

"We also concur with Comp. DRUMMOND in disagreeing with the opinion of Comp. SOUTHGATE of North Carolina, that if a companion is tried by his Chapter, pronounced guilty and expelled, he loses his membership in the Chapter, notwithstanding the Grand Chapter decides that the trial was illegal and void. That would indeed be an anomalous condition of affairs, fairly illustrative of the "tail wagging the dog." We have no knowledge as to the particular state of facts calling for the opinion, but we are willing to wager that Comp. SOUTHGATE is a sound Democrat and made an *honest* mistake in his attempted application of State rights doctrines to the Masonic relations.

"The necessity for the *actual presence* of the charter in the Lodge-room also appears to be the subject of a difference of opinion between Comps. DRUMMOND and SOUTHGATE, the former holding that it is, and the latter that it is not, necessary. We have found this same difference of opinion, on the same subject, expressed by others of the guild, and as Comp. DRUMMOND's arguments appear to us conclusive, we 'clip' them for the benefit of those of our companions who may entertain any doubts on the subject:—

"The grant of a charter cannot be properly compared to ordinary grants. A charter may be granted, signed and sealed, and put in the custody of those named in it; and yet even then it has no vitality; *until the Lodge is constituted under it*, it is as mere blank paper; it is put in the hands of the Master as the visible emblem of the existence of his Lodge. Long usage has made the charter, Holy Bible, square and compasses, necessary elements of the existence of the Lodge. The same idea prevailed in the Chapter; in the very outset of Royal Arch Masonry they used to ask a Lodge to "indulge them with the use of its charter," in order that they might "hold a Chapter." Of course, in these days, we can see no good reason why the law should be so, any more than we can see a reason for the presence of the "Great Lights," when no work is to be done; long usage has made both necessary, and, therefore, we hold to abiding by the law, although we cannot see a reason for it."

Comp. LIGHTHIZER very ably discusses the several questions raised by the different Chairmen of Correspondence; but as there are no "burning questions" at issue, we have neither the time nor inclination to pursue the shadows made by imaginary subjects. Capitular Masonry is enjoying at present a much needed legislative rest, and, we believe, greatly to its advantage. The general condition is prosperous and harmonious, as we hope it may continue, with no more contention than is necessary to keep the machinery temperately warm.

We bespeak a prosperous and useful life for the Grand Chapter of Arizona!

The M. E. GEORGE JAMES ROSKRUGE was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. JOHN McQUAID ORMSBY was elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held at Phoenix, November 16th, 1893.

ARKANSAS.

The Grand Chapter of Arkansas held its forty-third Annual Convocation at Little Rock, November 17, 1892,—the M. E. FAY HEMPSTEAD, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the R. E. JAMES A. HENRY being Grand Secretary. Forty-eight Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address, congratulating the companions upon their assemblage in "their own particular house," a "noble Temple, made bright with the triumph of decorative art," to offer up their devotions to the genius of Freemasonry. After commenting on the business of the year and recounting his visitations to the various Chapters, he speaks feelingly of the departure "to the other side" of several distinguished companions whose loss will be deeply felt by all. He concludes with an expression of thanks for the honors he had received and the belief that his successor would successfully carry forward the work of making the Capitular degrees and ceremonies take such rank as they deserve in the Masonry of Arkansas.

The M. E. Grand High Priest announced that in accordance with the resolution of the last session of this Grand Chapter, the State had been divided into four districts, one district being assigned to each of the four principal officers of the Grand Chapter, for visitation and instruction. The Grand High Priest announced the districts and assigned the same to the supervision of the Deputy Grand High Priest, King and Scribe.

There seemed to be no questions of startling importance presented for consideration at this session of the Grand Chapter. The business seemed to be entirely routine, with a strong but subdued effort to break through the crust of indifference in regard to Capitular Masonry in this jurisdiction.

The Report on Correspondence was presented by Comp. R. J. LAUGHLIN, Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence. In his review of the proceedings of the General Grand Chapter he says:—

"The Report on Foreign Correspondence, by Comp. WILLIAM H. MAYO of Missouri, contains an able argument in favor of the union of all the Grand Chapters, including the Canadian Provinces, in one organization, 'The Supreme Grand Chapter of North America.'"

The proceedings of California, not having been received, were conspicuous by their absence.

In his review of Maryland he replies to Comp. SCHULTZ as follows:—

"Comp. E. T. SCHULTZ again reports for the Committee on Correspondence. Under Arkansas for 1890, referring to our mandatory resolution, he says:—

"If *suspension* here means, as it does in many jurisdictions, a deprivation of all the rights of Capitular Masonry, then we have no hesitation in saying that this regulation is unjust and unmasonic."

"Suspension here (in Arkansas) means deprivation of Lodge or Chapter privileges only. The characteristic feature of Comp. SCHULTZ's report is his advocacy of and strong attachment to the old customs and objection to any innovation or advanced idea. He carefully examines every proceeding reviewed and whenever he sees a head he hits it in a kind, fraternal way. The report throughout is a most pleasant one."

Comp. LAUGHLIN compiled and publishes with the proceedings a valuable table of statistics.

The M. E. JASPER M. PINNELL was elected Grand High Priest and the R. E.

E. JAMES A. HENRY was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held at Little Rock, November 16, 1893.

CANADA.

The thirty-fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada was held in the city of London on the twenty-second day of July, 1892,—the M. E. J. J. MASON, Grand Z., presiding, and the R. E. THOMAS SARGANT as Grand Scribe E.

The Grand Z. delivered his Address, referring to the inroads made among the Fraternity by death during the year—the joy of meeting being overshadowed by the great sorrow pervading all their hearts on account of their unusual bereavement. He says:—

"Never in the history of the Grand Chapter has death been so busy amongst our members. R. E. Comp. E. MITCHELL, Grand Treasurer; R. E. Comp. DAVID McLELLAN, Grand Scribe E.; R. E. Comp. OTTO KLOTZ, Chairman of the Committee on Benevolence, and M. E. Comp. S. B. HARMAN, Past Grand Z., have all been taken away from us, and the places that knew them once shall know them no more.

"The proper committee will no doubt make fitting reference to the deaths of our beloved companions, but I desire to express my personal sorrow in having to part with them. Ever since I first saw light in Masonry, they have been my constant friends and companions, and I can hardly realize as yet that their kind, familiar faces will be no more seen amongst us. All were prominent and useful members of our Order, all had strong individual characteristics, all veterans in Masonry, and all endeared to us by many loving ties."

After referring to the business of the Grand Chapter, and having no decisions to announce on questions submitted to him during the year, he reports the following condition of Capitular Masonry in his jurisdiction, with his conclusion:—

"I have read the reports of the District Superintendents, and, although in some quarters the outlook is not encouraging, yet, on the whole, I think substantial progress has been made. The committee on this subject will no doubt go fully into the matter, and I only desire to make a few observations of a general character. Whether it is that other organizations which have sprung up and spread so rapidly during the past few years, have drawn away our material, or whether it is that other branches of Masonry have had greater attractive power, or whether it is that our ceremonies are hampered by restrictions that in some instances, at least, appear excessive, or whether all these causes, and perhaps others, are combined, I hardly venture to say; but certain it is that, in the rural districts especially, the Chapters find it difficult to maintain a satisfactory standard. It has been suggested that the number of companions required to be present in order to open a Chapter might be reduced, that Chapters might have a wider range in the selection of their principal officers, and last, though by no means least, that the ritual in all the degrees might, with great advantage, be materially reduced and improved. My own experience leads me to believe that these suggestions are well worthy of your studious consideration, the result of which will, I trust, be of the utmost benefit to the Royal Craft."

The Grand Treasurer reports the receipts for the year at \$2,943.63, with disbursements of \$1,492.25. The present total assets are \$19,413.90.

Comp. HENRY ROBERTSON continues to present the Report on Correspondence in his usual able manner, prefacing it with the following historical memoranda:—

"Your Committee on Correspondence beg leave to present their *twenty-fifth* annual report.

"Twenty-five years ago there were 30 Chapters on the registry of the Grand Chapter of Canada; now there are 84. A quarter of a century is a long time to look forward to, but a short time after it has passed. We would like to believe that we have been in some measure successful in the instruction and entertainment of our companions during all these years. One thing is certain, we have striven to do our best, and we are deeply grateful for the generous appreciation which we have from time to time received from the Grand Chapter.

"There are now but two reporters, besides the writer, who were engaged in this work for their respective Grand Chapters twenty-five years ago, and who are still occupying the same position. They are Comps. JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND, of Maine, and P. J. PILLANS, of Alabama. Comp. DRUMMOND commenced in 1865, and Comp. PILLANS in 1867. May their shadows never grow less.

"Among the leading lights in the fraternity of correspondents in 1868, and who have passed away from our ken, were Comps. THOMAS J. CORSON, of New Jersey, GEO. FRANK GOULEY, of Missouri, HORACE CHASE, of New Hampshire, WILLIAM STORER, of Connecticut, and E. T. CARR, of Kansas, all of whom won name and fame by their excellent reports.

"Among the subjects which were discussed in our first report, we find the following: The extent of physical disqualifications; the anomalous position of the Past Master's degree; the effect of an objection to the admission of a candidate after a clear ballot; what are the ancient landmarks; the employment of substitutes in conferring the Royal Arch degree; the question of dual membership; and the effect of the restoration of a suspended or expelled companion by a Grand Body. Some of these matters are still being debated, and doubtless will continue to be argued about for some time to come.

"Another matter then causing some trouble was the formation of the Grand Chapter of the District of Columbia, which was declared irregular by the then General Grand High Priest, Comp. JOHN L. LEWIS, of New York. Comp. NOBLE D. LARNER, who was the then Grand Secretary of the new Grand Chapter at its formation, subsequently himself became General Grand High Priest, nearly twenty years afterwards.

"The proceedings which we have perused this year show that Capitular Masonry in general is in a highly prosperous condition, and harmony prevails almost everywhere."

The kernel of the prosperity of the Grand Chapter of Canada may, however, be traced and credited in a great degree to the faithful work of the Grand Superintendents of the several districts. Their work is thorough and complete. They take full cognizance of the condition of the several Chapters, from their creation through their Royal Arch lives, correcting their work, examining their finances, and either avouching for their correct deportment and solvency or advising their consolidation with neighbors who are able and willing to carry them. Such work is good and square work, and will always redound to the credit of the executive head.

The M. E. JOHN E. HARDING was elected Grand Z., and the R. E. THOMAS SARGANT, Grand Scribe E.

The next Convocation will be held at the city of Ottawa the 26th of July, 1893.

COLORADO.

The Grand Chapter of Colorado assembled at Denver September 22d, 1892, twenty-four Chapters being represented.

The M. E. WILLIAM W. ROLLER, Grand High Priest, presiding, and R. E. EDWARD C. PARMELEE being Grand Secretary.

The Grand High Priest delivered an interesting address, feelingly alluding to

the distinguished dead of other jurisdictions, and recounting his official acts and decisions upon questions of law submitted to him during the year.

He says:—

"I have received and answered a large number of inquiries as to Chapter law and Masonic usage. I have considered and treated many of these, more as letters of instruction and advice to be given than to be classed as decisions. Many of our Masonic workers in the West are busy men—rustlers for grub—who have to crowd in their Masonic duties between their business hours, therefore much of our work may still be in the rough, not passing the overseer's square, as not having the finish that more leisure would naturally give.

"The following appears to me the more important, which I submit for your consideration and action."

His decisions were approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence, with this exception:—

"*Question*—Can a Royal Arch Mason, carrying a dimit in his pocket, bring charges of unmasonic conduct against a member of a Chapter?

"*Answer*—No. An unaffiliated Royal Arch Mason is not entitled to prefer charges of unmasonic conduct against any Royal Arch Mason."

The committee presented the following substitute for the decision of the Grand High Priest, which was approved:—

"That Decision No. 6 be not approved, and that the following be substituted therefor: He can, provided he has maintained his Masonic standing in compliance with the law of this jurisdiction concerning non-affiliates."

We think the substitute good law in the interest of justice and an equitable construction of "Rights and privileges."

The finances of the Grand Chapter are in a healthy condition as becomes the representative of this silver State, the assets in the hands of the Grand Treasurer being \$3,644.06.

The Report on Correspondence is prepared by Comp. E. L. N. FOSTER, and is an able and comprehensive review of the legislation of our several Grand Chapters.

The Grand Chapter of California receives kindly notice. Our esteemed companion and Grand Secretary, Comp. THOMAS H. CASWELL, is sympathized with in his ill health, and regrets expressed at his withdrawal from the Reporter's table, of which he has long been a useful member.

In his review of Maryland we note the following expression of good, sound doctrine:—

"Now, if every Mason should be a member of a Lodge, does not that "should" imply that one of the duties he owes to the fraternity is to help sustain a Lodge? He, therefore, who shirks one of the duties he owes to the fraternity should not expect to participate in its benefits, for if he can shirk one, why not two, three, or all?"

Comp. FOSTER closes his report with the following reference to his work:—

"In the preparation of this report we have wandered among the quarries of forty jurisdictions, examining the beauty of the ashlar in course of preparation, as well as those completed. It has afforded us sincere pleasure to learn of the harmony existing everywhere, and we add our voice to those who desire to see the Grand Chapters of Virginia, West Virginia and Pennsylvania, as well as those of Rhode Island and Texas, united with us under one common bond, giving allegiance to the General Grand Chapter of the United States.

"In our travels from Alabama to Wisconsin we have seen much to admire, much to interest, much to instruct, and much to praise; occasionally we think we have discovered a flaw, and have not been slow, in the most friendly manner possible, to express our disapproval; but realizing that it is possible that our own square is not true, we shall be ready to let the squares of other workmen test our work, and stand ready to be convinced of our error by fair argument.

"Our work is now presented for inspection, with the hope that it may meet with as great an amount of approval as our former efforts.

"The kindly words spoken for this Grand Jurisdiction, its officers, and lastly for ourself, have been much esteemed, and they will be stored up as treasures in the archives of our memory.

M. E.: THOMAS NICHOLL of Denver was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.*: GEORGE T. COOPER of Denver Grand Secretary.

The nineteenth Annual will be held in Denver, Thursday, Sept. 21st, 1893.

CONNECTICUT.

The ninety-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Connecticut was held at Hartford, May 10th, 1892,—the *M. E.*: CHAS. H. CHESEBRO, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the *R. E.*: JOSEPH K. WHEELER being Grand Secretary. Twenty-seven Chapters were represented.

The Address of the Grand High Priest was brief, referring—after paying suitable tribute to the honored dead of the year—to the business of the Grand Chapter and the appointment of Representatives near other Grand Bodies.

This jurisdiction has a system which devolves upon the King and Scribe duties of visitation and inspection which assimilate those of the Grand Chapter of Canada, where they are designated as "Grand Superintendents of Districts," a system adopted, we suppose, to insure to the subordinate Chapters the advantages of an annual visitation and inspection. The Grand King and the Grand Scribe report the performance of their duties to the Grand Chapter at its Annual Convocation.

No grievances were reported for the action of the committee.

The following record would seem to be a well deserved testimonial to the veteran Grand Secretary, JOSEPH K. WHEELER:—

"Comp. JAMES McCORMICK, from the special committee appointed to recommend a suitable testimonial to *R. E.*: JOSEPH K. WHEELER, for his service as Grand Secretary for twenty-five years, submitted the following, which was adopted by a unanimous vote:—

"*Resolved.* That in recognition of the long and faithful services of Comp. JOSEPH K. WHEELER, as Grand Secretary of this Grand Chapter, during the past quarter of a century, that there be appropriated from the funds of this Grand Chapter the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS to be donated to our worthy Comp. JOSEPH K. WHEELER, as a slight testimonial for the valuable services performed in the office which has been so ably filled by our companion.

"Respectfully submitted.

"JAMES McCORMICK,
JOHN H. BARLOW,
FRED H. WALDRON, } Committee."

Comp. JOHN H. BARLOW submitted the Report on Correspondence, reviewing the proceedings of forty-eight Grand Chapters, including all except Florida and Texas. His review is very complimentary to California, notices the decisions of the Grand High Priest, the memorial tributes to our distinguished dead veterans HOLLUB and ABELL, and approves the general tenor of our legislation. He regrets the retirement of Comp. THOS. H. CANWELL from his reportorial duties, and extends his sympathy in his disability. He concludes his report with the following "finis:"—

"We have once more completed our annual round, and present our fifteenth Report on Correspondence. The present report includes the proceedings of every jurisdiction in correspondence, (forty-eight in all) save Florida and Texas—these we were unable to procure. The present report consists largely in choice gems gathered from the proceedings reviewed. As the disputed points are few, little opportunity is given for comment or discussion. We are pleased to find Capitular

Masonry in a most healthy and satisfactory condition, more so than at any time during our fifteen years' membership in the reportorial corps. From our statistical table it will be seen that every jurisdiction save two have increased in numbers and strength, and in many large gains have been made. During the past year our Mother Earth has not refused her accustomed yield, but has in large measure strewn our pathway with flowers and filled our tables with plenty. For all these blessings let us be thankful. With kindly greetings for all, we remain,

"Yours fraternally,

"JOHN H. BARLOW,

"Correspondence Committee."

The M. E. HENRY H. GREEN was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. JOSEPH K. WHEELER, Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held in the city of New Haven, the second Tuesday in May, A. D. 1893.

DELAWARE.

The Grand Chapter of Delaware met in Annual Convocation at Wilmington January 20th, 1892,—the M. E. JOHN L. CLARK, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. JAMES H. PRICE being Grand Secretary.

The Grand High Priest delivered an interesting address, principally confined to the business of the Grand Chapter. He comments with much feeling upon the death of the unusual number of distinguished companions who have been called from earthly labor during the year, among whom was Past Grand High Priest JOHN OTTO, upon whose death he caused to be issued the following memorial notice:—

"Companions:—It is with profound sorrow, mingled with sadness, that I officially announce to you the death of Most Excellent companion,

JOHN OTTO,

Past Grand High Priest of Delaware Royal Arch Masons, who died at his residence in this city, of consumption, on Saturday evening, August 15th, 1891, aged 55 years.

"Companion OTTO served many positions of honor in the fraternity to which we belong, the more prominent of which were, as Master of *Washington Lodge*, No. 1, A. F. & A. M., High Priest of *Washington and Lafayette Chapter*, No. 1, serving as Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Delaware, A. F. & A. M., and M. E. Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Delaware Royal Arch Masons. It is hardly necessary for me to speak of the zeal to which he administered the several duties intrusted to his care. His record in the past will be a living monument to remind us that he was a true and good Mason. Being a business man of this community for a quarter of a century, he was always found upon the side of right, and proved himself to be an honorable and upright citizen.

"In token of our respect for his memory it is hereby ordered that this letter be read at the first stated Convocation after its receipt, that a suitable memorial page be set apart in your minute book, and that the three great lights of subordinate Chapters in this jurisdiction be suitably draped in the habiliments of mourning and remain so for sixty days. Given under my hand and seal of the Grand Chapter, the day and year above written."

He also gives affectionate reference to the death of that distinguished chief in Masonry, ALBERT PIKE, placing in fraternal sympathy and love the "Evergreen Sprig of Acacia" upon the casket of that Leader in Israel.

"Leaves have their time to fall,
And flowers to wither at the northwind's breath,
And stars to set—but all,
Thou hast all seasons for thine own, O Death!"

Comp. WM. B. MOLE presented the Report on Correspondence, commencing by modestly disdaining high rank among the reportorial staff, and then, like a true

descendant of the "Blue Hen," briefly but ably reviews the legislation of forty-two Grand Chapters, among them California, which he gives a kindly notice, and says in conclusion:—

"And now, companions, the last page has been reviewed and I have done, and in conclusion would say that I have endeavored to give to each of the forty-two Grand Chapters that I have reviewed at least fraternal recognition if nothing more, having full confidence to believe that over my many imperfections you will spread the broad mantle of charity, for it covereth a multitude of sin."

The *M. E.* FRANCIS L. CARPENTER was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* JAMES H. PRICE was re-elected Grand Secretary.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

The twenty-sixth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of the District of Columbia was held in the city of Washington, D. C., December 14th, 1892,—the *M. E.* THOMAS F. GIBBS, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the *R. E.* L. G. STEPHENS being Grand Secretary. Fourteen Past Grand High Priests and the representatives of eight chartered Chapters were present.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address; he first thanks the Great Architect for the blessings of health and prosperity; acknowledges through His guidance exemption from the many evils which have fallen upon others, and under these favorable conditions welcomes all the companions to the twenty-sixth Annual gathering.

He mentions the death of Past Grand High Priest JOSEPH DANIELS, and pays eloquent tribute to his memory.

He has had no troublesome questions asked or inquiries made during the year. He gives a pleasant report of their way of celebrating the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of their Grand Chapter. We think a "plank shad" dinner "good work," and should be encouraged.

"At an informal gathering of some of the officers and past officers of the Grand Chapter shortly after the installation ceremonies, a suggestion was made that we celebrate in some appropriate manner the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the organization of the Grand Chapter of the District of Columbia on May 23d, and a committee was selected to make the necessary arrangements.

"It was decided that an excursion to Marshall Hall, with a plank shad dinner at that pleasant resort, would be a desirable manner in which to celebrate the event, and a circular of invitation was issued to all Royal Arch Masons, the invitation to include lady relatives and friends.

"The weather on the morning of the twenty-third was not all that could have been desired, as the clouds were heavy and threatened rain, which fact deterred many from joining the excursion party.

"Quite a large number of distinguished Royal Arch Masons, however, with their ladies, accompanied the officers of the Grand Chapter, and the occasion was very enjoyable."

The Grand High Priest says of visitations:—

"The visitations by the officers of the Grand Chapter to the Constituent Chapters of the jurisdiction have been made occasions of enjoyment and of profit.

"A higher order of intellectual entertainment has been provided by the several High Priests in selecting companions of culture and eminence to deliver addresses, while delightful music, the decorations made with and the perfume from plants and flowers appealed pleasantly to the senses of our nature, and the banquets were very satisfying and sufficiently frequent. The officers of the Chapters are intelligent gentlemen, who are worthy of the exalted positions to which they have been called, and no irregularities have come to my notice which have not been already remedied, and nothing, in my opinion, which requires further legislation by the Grand Chapter. At one of the Grand Visitations the Grand Secretary submitted a statement as follows:—

"The High Priest of the previous year, after the Grand Visitation, having given a brother the *M. M.* and *P. M.* degrees, requested another Chapter to confer the *M.*

E. M. and R. A. degrees, and this was done, but no notice of the fact was forwarded to the Chapter for which the work was done until several weeks had elapsed. It also appeared that no fee had been collected for the last named degrees, through some inadvertence or neglect. This, although doubtless unintentional, was a violation of the law. It resulted, probably, from a practice of some of the Chapters of giving permission to their High Priests at the commencement of their terms of office to request other Chapters to confer some of the degrees for them, as a matter of convenience, instead of making this request in individual cases. I am of the opinion that this practice is of doubtful expediency.

"In the matter of notification in such cases, it is important that no delay should occur. Particular attention should be paid to the forwarding of all notices relating to petitions for the degrees, and a file of the same kept for ready reference for at least one year from their respective dates.

"Before surrendering to my successor the emblem of authority as Grand High Priest, I desire to express to you my grateful acknowledgment for the distinguished honor you have bestowed on me, and my thanks for the many courtesies and kindnesses received at your hands. This year you have increased the membership of the Chapter 260, and made the aggregate members of Capitular Masonry in the jurisdiction over two thousand. In one Chapter alone, *Mount Vernon*, No. 3, of which JAMES H. WARDLE, Esq., is the *M. E. H. P.*, there has been one hundred and ten exaltations. This is believed to be unprecedented and is thought worthy of special mention.

"I shall ever remember with pleasure and pride the officers of the Grand Chapter associated with me the past year, as well as those of former years, nor shall I forget the acts of kindness and words of counsel from Past Grand Officers.

"To each companion I say most fervently, 'May the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob and the God of your fathers preserve and bless you.'

The Committee on Masonic Home made the following report, which was adopted:—

"To the Grand Chapter:—

"The undersigned, to whom was referred at our Annual Convocation the subject of a Masonic Home, respectfully submit that this and all similar enterprises should originate in and be managed by the Grand Lodge.

"In this jurisdiction we have the St. John's Mite Association, an incorporated society organized several years ago for the purpose of supplying destitute widows and orphans from other jurisdictions, who may be residing within our own, with food, fuel and clothing. We have also the Masonic Board of Relief, which, after thorough investigation as to worthiness, grants relief to transient applicants.

"Members of our own jurisdiction, and their dependents, requiring aid are assisted by the organizations immediately interested.

"By reference to the records of our Grand Lodge, we find that the Lodges alone have in twenty years paid out for charity over sixty-five thousand dollars, the greater portion of which was expended on brethren, Masonic widows and orphans not belonging to our jurisdiction.

"Your committee refer to the expenditure simply to illustrate what has been and is being done by our Lodges.

"The Chapters and other Masonic organizations have been and are equally liberal in their appropriations for the same objects.

"What would be the result of a union of labor and appropriations for charitable purposes by the different Masonic organizations is a question—when the proper time arrives—worthy of consideration.

"At this time, however, the committee are of the opinion that no action should be taken by the Grand Chapter, but recommend that in the event of the Grand Lodge inaugurating a movement providing for a Masonic Home, this Grand Chapter will co-operate to the fullest extent."

"The financial receipts for the year were,.....\$2,395 60
"Disbursements,.....2,125 21

"The assets of the Grand Chapter are—

"Masonic Hall Bonds, 5's,.....\$1,050 00
"Scottish Rite Bonds, 5's,.....1,000 00
"Washington Light Infantry Bonds, 6's,.....200 00
" 7's,.....500 00
"Cash on hand,.....2,650 85

\$5,400 85 "

A Special Convocation of the Grand Chapter of the District of Columbia was held on the evening of January 9th, 1893, for the purpose of instituting *Hiram* Chapter, No. 10.

The Constitution and Rules of Order are published with this volume of the proceedings.

Comp. WM. R. SINGLETON presented the Report on Correspondence. Under California he notices favorably Comp. MYRICK's address, and compliments the report of Comp. CASWELL.

We clip the following notice from his review of Illinois:—

"The Grand High Priest refers to the use of substitutes in the Royal Arch degree. He had been opposed to their use; but upon a careful examination of facts he found that in a large number of Chapters a great many of them had suffered by the rule of not using substitutes. He therefore had a circular sent to all the Grand Chapters, and in return received answers from thirty-eight Grand Chapters, and all except four allowed the use of substitutes. In Illinois it appears that the several districts are in charge of the different Grand Officers who make their reports.

"The Committee on Obituaries, in referring to Comp. ALBERT PIKE, said thus:—

"The story of his life is the most graceful romance of Masonic lore. By nature a man of lofty ideals, he found his deepest joy in the steady following out of those ideals. So he lived in a world all his own, apart from the rush and turmoil of our modern ways. A lover of the beautiful in all its forms, he dwelt, indeed, in a house beautiful, and drank at the deepest springs of æsthetic culture. A careful and accurate student, he enriched the volume of Masonic knowledge from many and recondite sources, and thus became, probably, the greatest authority on all questions of early Masonic history. In every way his life was one of great beauty, and at the last there shone from the face, whose lines wore the footprints of suffering, that calm and patient bravery which made him a victor over pain itself. And so we may say farewell to this singularly gentle and yet grand life which went out to the shores of the great unseen land on April 2d, 1891."

In reviewing Kansas he mentions the name of a friend and companion, E. S. HOLMES, who had been appointed Grand Representative of Kansas near the District of Columbia.

We think we recognize the name as that of one who strayed away from home some twenty years ago and paid California a visit—probably the same Comp. E. S. HOLMES that the Grand Chapter of the District of Columbia have honored themselves by once electing their Grand High Priest.

Comp. SINGLETON, let HOLMES have anything he calls for. He's good.

We close this review of the proceedings of the District of Columbia with the hint that Comp. SINGLETON being located at the seat of Government might introduce some "burning question" for the discussion of the unemployed of the Correspondents who are "out of work"—some question that would stir up their professional pride and make them paddle or sink.

The M. E. HARRISON DINGMAN was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. LEWIS G. STEPHENS was re-elected Grand Secretary.

FLORIDA.

The Grand Chapter of Florida held its forty-sixth Annual Convocation at Jacksonville May 10th, 1892,—M. E. THOMAS S. WILMARTH, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the R. E. DEWITT C. DAWKINS being Grand Secretary.

Twelve Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest presented an interesting address—reporting the business of the year—feelingly referring to the bereavement of the Royal Craft in the unusual number of prominent companions who had been summoned to join the great majority in that undiscovered country from whence no traveler returns—extending the sympathy of the Grand Chapter to the mourning jurisdictions, and invoking

the thanks of the Grand Chapter with gratitude to the Supreme High Priest of the Universe for the privilege of again assembling about their holy altar.

He reports that harmony reigns in the jurisdiction, and that amicable relations with all regular Grand Chapters are undisturbed.

He also reports the following rulings or decisions upon questions of Masonic law, presented during the year:—

"1. Should a proposed amendment to the by-laws of a Chapter, when appertaining to the finances of the Chapter, be referred to the Finance Committee?"

"*Answer.* That is a matter of discretion with the Chapter.

"2. Should the original proposition to amend the by-laws of a Chapter be finally disposed of, either by withdrawing or voting upon it?"

"*Answer.* Yes, that would be proper action.

"3. Under Masonic law and custom can an original proposition, or resolution to amend, be superseded by a substitute?"

"*Answer.* Yes, when no objection is made. •

"4. Should a proposed amendment, offered as a substitute for the original, take the course prescribed by the by-laws, viz.: Lay over for a meeting for subsequent action?"

"*Answer.* If the proposed change of the original proposition was clerical only, no; but if the new proposition is material in substance, it is a new proposition, and should go over to a subsequent meeting.

"5. Should the record show how the vote upon amendment of by-laws stood?"

"*Answer.* The record should so state; but if the point be not raised at the time, or at the time of action upon the minutes, the result stated is sufficient.

"6. When less than three-fourths of the members present vote for an amendment to the by-laws, and the balance of the members present do not all vote, but three-fourths of the votes cast are for amendment, is it carried?"

"*Answer.* No; the express language of the amending clause requires that three-fourths of all the members present must vote for the amendment, else it is lost.

"7. Is it necessary that the by-laws of subordinate Chapters be approved by the Grand Chapter?"

"*Answer.* Yes, or in recess by the Grand High Priest, except that changing time of regular Convocations, under the amending clause of the by-laws, need not be so approved.

"8. Is a Royal Arch Chapter organized for charitable purposes?"

"*Answer.* No; but its privilege in that direction is limited only by its own discretion, especially in the disbursement of its surplus funds."

And in conclusion says:—

"Now, companions, you have the record of my official doings. I ask at your hands that forbearance which may reasonably be demanded for whatever of weakness and frailty may be perceived. You called me to this position for whatever merit you conceived in me. My duties have been discharged faithfully as best I could, and the honor conferred will be a boon of happiness and pleasant reflection while I live, assuring you that my zeal and ardor for the cause of Royal Arch Masonry will not thereby ever be decreased.

"THOMAS S. WILMARTH,
"Grand High Priest."

The Committee on Jurisprudence presented the following report, which was affirmed by the Grand Chapter:—

"To the M. E. Grand Chapter:—

"Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, in the matter of rulings and decisions made by the Grand High Priest:—

"As to Ruling 1st, it is not proper to refer a proposed amendment to the by-laws to a committee for their report. It should be disposed of by the Chapter, in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution.

"Ruling 2d approved. The Constitution instructs how proposed amendments to the by-laws should be disposed of. If not withdrawn, they should be acted upon in accordance with the regulations.

"Ruling 3d approved. Provided the resolution to amend does not refer to the by-laws, which can only be amended in the constitutional manner.

"Ruling 4th approved.

"Ruling 5th not approved, as it is not necessary that the vote should be a matter of record; the announcement by the High Priest of the result is sufficient.

"Rulings 6, 7 and 8 approved, being in accordance with existing regulations. The special dispensations granted by the Grand High Priest are also approved."

The following, from the Assistant Grand Secretary, is self-explanatory and will account for the absence of the usual able report of the Grand Secretary as "Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence," and we express the hope that the distinguished companion upon whom the "heavy hand" has fallen may in good time be restored to health, and be permitted to again discharge the duties for which he was so eminently fitted, and which he performed with honor to himself and so much credit to his Grand Chapter:—

"FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

"Notwithstanding the fact that the writer hereof is a member of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, it is well known that Comp. DAWKINS has, for years past, prepared such reports as were sent out, and as he was well qualified for that service, it was left entirely to his judgment and skill, and, as a general thing, these reports were not read by the other members of the committee until they appeared in connection with and as a part of the printed proceedings of the Annual Convocation. While it would afford pleasure and no small degree of profit to this particular member of the committee to commune with the Royal Craft by reviewing the proceedings of the various jurisdictions in fraternal intercourse with this Grand Chapter, it is exceedingly doubtful as to whether any real benefit could result therefrom, for the reason that such service, to be productive of practical results, requires larger experience in matters Masonic than is possessed by this humble scribe. We may entertain the hope, however, that in the not very distant future a 'Shimai' will be discovered within our ranks, possessing the requisite qualifications for such a noble and glorious undertaking. Until then we will be under the necessity of contenting ourselves with receiving benefits from other jurisdictions without giving anything in return.

"When our proceedings shall have been received and inspected, it may be that errors and omissions will be discovered, especially in the Directory of Grand Chapters, but if this should be the fact, the best apology possible under existing circumstances is now here presented—there is not sufficient time afforded for examination of proceedings to ascertain what, if any changes, have been made during the past year. The Directory is, therefore, the same as published with the proceedings of 1891, with the exception of perhaps one or two changes.

"Fraternally,

W. A. McLEAN,

"Assistant Grand Secretary."

The M. E. IRVING E. WEBSTER was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. DEWITT C. DAWKINS was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held at Jacksonville, Tuesday, May 2d, 1893.

GEORGIA.

The seventieth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Georgia was held in the city of Macon April 27th, 1892,—the M. E. JAMES W. TAYLOR, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. A. M. WOLIHIN being Grand Secretary. Fifty-seven Chapters were represented.

The R. E. S. STACKER WILLIAMS, Past Grand Master and Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Georgia near the Grand Chapter of Ohio, was present, and received with all the honors.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address, reciting eloquently and fully the history and progress of Royal Arch Masonry in Georgia. After reporting his official acts he gave an interesting review of the meeting and proceedings

of the General Grand Chapter held in 1891 at Minneapolis, and congratulated his jurisdiction upon the upward and onward progress of capitular Masonry throughout the land.

He reported the following decisions made by him during the year:—

DECISIONS.

“ During the past year I have made the following decisions:—

“ 1st. A member of a Chapter objects to the degrees being conferred on a candidate after he is elected. What course must be pursued?

“ Held, that it is the law of this jurisdiction that the member so objecting shall make his objection known to the Chapter and the ballot again passed, and if but one blackball is found the Chapter should proceed to confer the degrees.

“ 2d. Can a Past High Priest of one Chapter install the officers of another Chapter in the absence of the High Priest?

“ Held, That the law of this jurisdiction allows any Past High Priest to install the officers of a Chapter.

“ 3d. Is there any limit as to distance in which a new Chapter can be established?

“ Held, There is none.

“ 4th. Can a Chapter be organized in a locality where there is no Lodge of Symbolic Masons?

“ Held, There is no law governing the case. While Symbolic membership is essential to Capitular Masonry, there is no reason why a Chapter could not be established where there is no ‘Blue Lodge.’

“ 5th. A Chapter under dispensation confers the degrees on an applicant who afterwards is guilty of a misdemeanor; can the Chapter prefer charges and try the companion?

“ Held, That a Chapter under dispensation cannot try a companion, but should report the case to the Grand Chapter when application is made for a charter, who shall give direction to the matter.”

And his action was endorsed by the special committee on his Address, as follows:—

“ The committee, concurring fully with the decisions made by the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, and having referred to proper committees the different portions of the address, have nothing to do but to express as fully as we can (feebly though that be) our congratulations to the Grand Chapter on receiving such a full, complete and comprehensive report of the state of Capitular Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction as this address contains. It shows a particularly gratifying condition, and we think the zeal of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest has been one of the prime factors in accomplishing this most gratifying result, for which the thanks of this Grand Chapter are due, and we hereby tender the same to him and his efficient co-laborers for their faithful and satisfactory work.”

Subsequently the Committee on Jurisprudence reported as follows:—

“ *To the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Georgia:—*

“ Your Committee on Jurisprudence report the following: We have had under consideration that part of the Address of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest referred to us. Whilst we approve generally of his decisions, we have this to say in regard to the first ruling: We find it in accordance with the following Edict of the Grand Chapter, to be found in the Proceedings of 1872, page 16:

“ WHEREAS, The question has been raised, whether a member objecting to a brother's advancement, after he has been balloted for and found worthy, to his receiving the degrees; be it

“ Resolved, As the sense of this Grand Chapter, that the member objecting shall give the reason for his objection, which shall be passed upon by the Chapter, and if, upon a vote being taken in the body, only one vote is found to sustain the objection, the degree or degrees shall be conferred.”

“ We find, also, in the Constitutional Rules, No. 11, page 16, of the last Revision of the Constitution and Edicts, founded on the Ancient Landmarks and Usages of Royal Arch Masonry, and of force in the Jurisdiction of Georgia, the following:—

" 'Item, No. 11. No candidate shall be elected to receive the degrees, nor any Royal Arch Mason admitted a member of any Chapter, except by a unanimous vote in his favor.

" Your committee find the decision referred to us in accordance with the edict cited, whilst the foregoing rule appears as above quoted, and thus we present it to the Grand Chapter."

The report was concurred in, but why this conflict in the "Whereas and Resolved" of 1872, and the Constitutional Rules of the last revision?

Item No. 11, as we understand, also is founded on the "Ancient Landmarks and Usages of Royal Arch, or any other kind of legitimate Masonry, and ought to be of unquestioned force everywhere.

The Committee on Necrology presented the following tribute to deceased companions:—

"To the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Georgia:

" Your Committee on Necrology regret to say that they can only submit a general report, as no sufficient data is at hand upon which to prepare a fitting tribute to the memory of our beloved companions who have fallen at their posts since our last Grand Convocation.

" The Great High Priest has called from earthly labor to eternal refreshment three of our worthy companions, to wit.: Comp. JERRE PASCAL, High Priest of *Walton Chapter*; Comp. B. L. STEPHENS, High Priest of *Valdosta Chapter*; Comp. GEORGE C. BANCROFT, High Priest of *Mount Zion Chapter, No. 16*. These true and worthy companions have passed over the river and await us in the Celestial Temple. We shed a tear over their graves, and draw the broad mantle of Masonic charity over their foibles, and extend to their loved ones our fraternal sympathy and condolence.

" The names of the companions who have died in this jurisdiction during the year will appear in our published proceedings. They were not official members of this Grand Body, but they were our companions, loved and honored. Peace to their ashes. Their memory is enshrined in our hearts, and we mingle our tears of sorrow with their loved ones left to our care.

" Your committee notices with sorrow the loss we have sustained in the death of our Grand Representative near the Grand East of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada, *R. E.* Comp. DAVID MCLELLAN, Grand Scribe and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons. In common with our companions of the Grand Jurisdiction of Canada we mourn the loss sustained, and we hereby recommend that our Grand Secretary convey to the Grand Chapter of Canada a copy of this official notice of the death of our Grand Representative."

The usual interesting Report on Correspondence is missing this time, owing to the illness of the chairman and his inability to get it ready in time for the printer.

The *M. E.* JAMES W. TAYLOR was re-elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* A. M. WOLIHIN, Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held at Atlanta, April 26, 1893.

ILLINOIS.

The forty-third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Illinois assembled in the city of Chicago October 27th, 1892,—the *M. E.* JACOB KROHN, Grand High Priest, presiding, and *R. E.* Comp. GIL W. BARNARD being Grand Secretary. 186 Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered an able and eloquent address. His "In Memoriam" is a fraternal and affectionate tribute to the many distinguished companions who had been called hence during the year. After reporting fully his official acts he says in conclusion:—

" Allow me, in conclusion, to congratulate this Grand Convocation and, through it, the Masonic Fraternity throughout this Grand Jurisdiction upon the prosperous

condition of our beloved Craft, and upon the flattering prospects for increased growth and an ever-widening circle of prosperity that lies before it in the future.

"I desire also thus publicly to acknowledge the thousand and one courtesies and kindnesses that have, during the year, marked the course of this Grand Body towards me in my official relations. I sincerely trust that, whilst my administration may not have reached that ideal state known as perfection, it may have, at least, assisted in lifting Capitular Masonry to a still loftier and purer plane of usefulness and influence among men.

"Officers, companions of the Grand Chapter of the State of Illinois, and especially E. V. Comp. Barnard, Grand Secretary, I thank you."

In this jurisdiction the State is divided into districts over which a Grand Officer is placed in charge. He reports his action and the condition of the district to the Grand Chapter, at its Annual Convocation, and his report is published with the proceedings.

The financial accounts of this Grand Chapter indicate an active organization. They show, in brief—

Balance on hand last report.....	\$12,186 81
Receipts during year.....	9,285 55
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	\$21,472 36
Disbursements for year..	\$ 9,409 18
Cash on hand.....	12,063 18
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	\$21,472 36

The Committee on Obituaries reported:—

"To the Grand Royal Arch Chapter, State of Illinois:

"The sad tidings come from twelve of our sister jurisdictions, that *Death* has invaded their Mystic Circles, and taken from earth a number of companions, whose visible forms will never more grace the sanctuaries of the Royal Craft.

"The record of those who have been summoned hence, shows them to have been men of strength and courage in the line of duty; that their lives were imbued with lofty impulses toward their fellowmen, and that through life they were guided by a compass pivoted upon the indestructible point of truth, pointing the way that leads us to the performance of the duties we owe to God, our neighbors and ourselves.

"The monuments reared by our departed companions, while living, attest their zeal and devotion to the interests of an Institution whose principles and teachings contribute so largely to man's moral welfare, and which will serve to keep green their memory by those who knew them best and profited by their labors."

After mentioning by name many companions with such information regarding their special service as the committee could obtain, they close their report with the following:—

"To our sister Grand Chapters who have been touched by the hand of *Death*, the Grand Chapter of Illinois tenders its fraternal sympathies, and to the surviving companions and friends of our own jurisdiction who are in like manner bereaved, we hereby record expressions of condolence."

The following amendment to the by-laws was made after reference to the Committee on Jurisprudence, who recommended

"That said Section 26 be so amended as to read:

"Sec. 26. No Chapter in this jurisdiction shall confer the several degrees for a less sum than thirty dollars; provided, that no Chapter located in a city where there are three or more Chapters shall confer the degrees for a less sum than forty dollars."

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:—

"Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Chapter are due and are hereby extended to M. V. E. Comp. JACOB KROHN for the zeal manifested in the discharge of his official duties, and for the successful administration of the affairs of the Grand Chapter during the past year."

Comp. MARTIN COLLINS, Past Grand High Priest of Missouri, was subjected to the treatment narrated below, at the hands of the Grand Chapter of Illinois:—

"Comp. DEWITT C. CREGIER formally presented to the East *M. E.* Comp. MARTIN COLLINS, Past Grand High Priest of Missouri. He was received with the Grand Honors and said:—

"Most Excellent Grand High Priest and Companions:—

"This really is a great pleasure to meet with my companions in the State of Illinois.

"I have had the honor to represent Illinois in the Grand Lodge of the State of Missouri for the last thirty years. Being its representative I have endeavored, to the best of my ability, to discharge that high and responsible duty that I owe to my brethren in Illinois, and faithfully to see that their interest is protected. In all my career in the last thirty years, as your representative, not a single case has come up to disturb that noble harmony that should exist between brethren. Illinois and Missouri are one so far as Masonry goes, and as long as my duties will permit me there never shall be a dissent from that position. I heard a short time ago a sermon preached by a clergyman. Said I, when he commenced, he ought to be a Mason, if he is not. He read this part of the scriptures: 'If you love not your brethren that you have seen, how can you love your God that you have not seen.' Isn't that Masonry? I tell you I love my brethren. And to my Most Excellent Comp. CREGIER I will say that he is mistaken about saying he knew me thirty years, for it is over forty. He wanted it to appear that he is younger than he is. He and I are not young any more in years, but we are still young in Masonry and emphatic in our work. I think my companion CREGIER, as well as myself, will stand up for Masonry to-day, as we have done for the last forty years, and can do as much work to advance our beloved Order as any young man in this hall. We shall continue to do so. I thank you very much for your kind reception, and at any time any of you come to the city of St. Louis or to my State, the same noble welcome that you have extended to one in my position shall be extended to any of you companions, and we shall be pleased to see you.

"M. E. Comp. CREGIER: I took great pleasure in introducing M. E. Comp. COLLINS because I wanted the companions of Illinois to notice what a good looking man could come from St. Louis. I did say to the Grand Chapter that he was Past Grand High Priest of Missouri, but I didn't want to say he was from St. Louis at that moment. I now say so."

Comp. JOHN W. PEARSON presented the Report on Correspondence. California receives a complimentary notice at his hands. The Grand High Priest's Address is quoted from, and Comp. CASWELL is mentioned affectionately as "one who keeps the run of things," and from whom nothing gets away "that's worth keeping." He reproduces our General Regulation 21, and does not dissent from its requirements.

Under the head of Maine he extracts this Article of Faith, with his full approval:—

"We do not make any exception in our condemnation of unnecessary Masonic public appearances in favor of divine worship. We do not or should not go to church for the purpose of making a show of ourselves, but that is exactly what happens when Masons go as a body clothed in the badges of the Order. It seems to us most incongruous that the reverential simplicity which should attend divine worship should be marred by the attendance of any persons dressed up so as to attract attention to themselves and to distract the thoughts of those who come with a far different purpose and one more in harmony with the divine teachings."

In his review of Iowa he reproduces the action of that Grand Chapter in a matter brought to its attention by the Grand High Priest in this language:—

"Right here I feel it my duty to call the attention of this Grand Body to the hard struggle the Grand Lodge of Iowa has been compelled to pass through during the last three years with Cerneauism.

"Is it not time that you take some action with a view of assisting the Grand Lodge in maintaining its laws and edicts? Is there not a duty which we owe to our parent, the Grand Lodge, that has not been performed? I would recommend that you give this subject at least a careful and deliberate consideration."

This was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, who reported the following, which was adopted:—

"Your committee, to whom was referred so much of the Grand High Priest's Address as relates to the 'Difficulties of Cerneauism,' beg leave to report thereon as follows:

"WHEREAS, Our Grand Lodge has, by the enactment of positive law, declared that a member retaining membership in the branch of Masonry denominated as 'The Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the United States, their Territories and dependencies,' or the Cerneau body of the Scottish Rite, is guilty of a Masonic offense. Recognizing this fact, such persistent membership in said Cerneau body becomes of necessity an offense against Capitular Masonry. Therefore, to enforce obedience, we present the following:—

"Resolved, That any companion of this Grand Jurisdiction who retains his membership in the Rite of Masonry called the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the United States, their Territories and dependencies, known as the 'Cerneau body of Scottish Rite,' whether an affiliated or a non-affiliated Master Mason, shall be proceeded against as for any other Masonic offense, and if convicted, shall stand expelled from all the rights and privileges of Royal Arch Masonry; and we further declare that any companion holding membership in said Cerneau body is ineligible to office in any subordinate Chapter or in this Grand Chapter.

"The several High Priests of the subordinate Chapters of this jurisdiction are hereby empowered to see that this law is properly enforced, and the Grand High Priest is required and authorized to arrest the jewel of any High Priest who neglects or refuses to enforce the same."

The same cause here led to the adoption of our Regulation No. 21, which has been widely noticed and commented on. The arguments used here by the opponents of action by the Grand Chapter were founded upon the venerable maxim of "People get rich by minding their own business," and it was urged that the question was for the Grand Lodge only to decide—that we as Royal Arch Masons had nothing to do with it; but when such Cerneau bodies were in the full tide of successful experiment and they were known to be roping in young Master Masons with the argument that it was simply a quarrel between the Scottish Rite bodies, both equally legitimate, and must result in a compromise acknowledging everybody, and the degrees were so much cheaper—then it began to affect us, and we waited no longer for the Grand Lodge, but went to "minding our own business" by the adoption of Regulation 21, since which time Cerneauism has been very dead in California.

In reviewing Nebraska he notices the "business push" prevailing, and says:—

"We are not sure that we can commend the excessive industry of our companions in Nebraska. This is what they did: met at 2 P. M., opened and listened to the welcome and addresses, reports of Treasurer and Secretary and several committees, called off, and conferred the Order of High Priesthood upon a class of eighteen, who were '*separately admitted and anointed* with the full ceremonies of our Order.' At 9:45 P. M. the Grand Chapter resumed labor, and at 'low twelve' elected officers, and after a 'five hours' session' called to refreshment until '9 o'clock Thursday morning.' Remember that this was early in the morning, in December. All that morning was devoted to the consideration and adoption of a new Constitution, and at 12:30 called to refreshment for *one hour*. Then more work on by-laws, and at 4 P. M. the further consideration was postponed until next Annual. At 5 o'clock the Grand Chapter was closed. A resolution was adopted, thanking *Orient* Chapter for the 'royal manner' in which they were 'entertained.' We fail to see where the 'entertainment' could possibly come in, or when the 'freedom of the city,' to which the Honorable Mayor welcomed them, was enjoyed.

"It seems to us like a 'demnition grind,' and yet, had we been there, we would have enjoyed it. The new Constitution was to have been printed on pages 2189-2194. Turning to these pages we find a beautiful white blank, which we deem a better Constitution than some we have read. Yet we would like to have read this one. The following was adopted on recommendation of committee:—

"*First.* That the work of Nebraska, changed only where it may conflict with the essentials adopted by the General Grand Chapter, be continued as the standard in this Grand Jurisdiction.

"*Second.* That there be appropriated the sum of seven hundred dollars, to be expended, under the Grand High Priest, in compensating the Grand Lecturer for teaching our work in the subordinate Chapters."

Reviewing North Carolina, speaking of jurisdiction, he writes of Comp. SOUTHWATE, Chairman of Correspondence:—

"Under California he quotes, in answer to Comp. CASWELL, from the Constitution of the Grand Chapter of North Carolina, the following:—

"Sec. 7th. Whereupon this Grand Chapter shall reverse the decision of a subordinate Chapter suspending or expelling a companion, and shall restore him to the benefits and privileges of Masonry; *he shall not thereby be restored to membership within the body from which he was suspended or expelled without its unanimous consent.*" (Italics ours.)

"And adds this:—

"This is a good law, Comp. CASWELL, and if no other States have it in their Constitutions, they ought to, for there is nothing more calculated to destroy harmony in the Chapter and between the Grand Chapter and the subordinate than this interference with the rules of the Chapter touching membership. If the Chapter can say by ballot who shall receive its degrees or affiliate as members, why should another power come in and say you shall restore this one who has violated your laws, and because we, who know nothing of the aggravating circumstances which dictated your action, think you have not acted as we should have done, you must restore him to membership? The late unpleasantness with Italy, in view of the New Orleans matter, is a case in point. Louisiana is a subordinate of the General Government, but it must settle its own internal differences."

And comments as follows:—

"We cannot think this to be good law, nor do we think it will be found generally in our Constitutions, nor do we consider the illustration a 'case in point.' One of the especial functions of our Grand Chapter is to see that its own by-laws for the government of subordinates, as well as the by-laws of said subordinates, are properly enforced, and in case of any failure to do this, the Grand Chapter can, on appeal, take any necessary action to secure this, even to the forfeiture of charter."

The Constitution of California, Sec. 3, Art. 25, says: "The Grand Chapter may, at any Annual Convocation, if good cause therefor be shown, restore a Mason who has been suspended or expelled within its jurisdiction; but such restoration shall not restore him to membership in the Chapter by which he was suspended or expelled;" and General Regulation No. 14 provides: "That the restoration to good standing by a Lodge of any companion who has been suspended by it for any cause, and where no action has been had in his case directly by the Chapter, restores him to good standing in the Chapter."

In reviewing Ohio he notices the tempest occasioned by the passage of the following at the preceding Convocation of the Grand Chapter:—

"Resolved, That the Secretary of each subordinate Chapter within this Grand Jurisdiction be and is hereby required to send official notice of the suspension, expulsion, or re-instatement of any of its members, to the Council of Royal and Select Masters and Commandery of Knights Templar within whose jurisdiction such Chapter may be situated."

"Comp. PEARSON remarks:—

"A year ago we mildly criticised this resolution, and suggested what seemed to us a better plan. But the resolution passed, and was held to be of the same form as a by-law. Six months passed, and then the Grand High Priest received the following brief and gritty notice, in defiance of grammar and the M. E. Grand Chapter:—

" WORTHINGTON, OHIO, April 11, 1891.

" *Horeb* Chapter, No. 3, R. A. M., has, last evening, by unanimous vote, withdrawn its affiliation from the Grand Chapter of Ohio.

JUSTIN PINNEY, *High Priest*.

" The Grand High Priest asked for details, and he got them 'under seal.' Then *Horeb* Chapter was duly 'labored with' to no avail.

" The Deputy Grand High Priest visited Worthington and tried to reason with the contumacious High Priest, and got 'sassed' for his pains, thusly:—

" What do we care about the Grand Chapter or its resolutions? We do not recognize the Grand Chapter of Ohio in *any way*. We have *withdrawn* from the Grand Chapter, and will manage our Chapter in our own way.

" In spite of all this independence, this doughty officer, with the strong grip of an office-holder, held on to the old charter, all the property and jewels and records, books and papers, and the Grand High Priest arrested the charter, forbade all intercourse, etc. But the companions were not all bad.

" The case was much better than that of Sodom. Twelve loyal ones were found, and to them the Grand High Priest granted authority to meet and elect and install officers, and to them the charter of *Horeb* No. 3, was 'declared restored.'

" We say 'declared restored,' for we see nothing that shows that the 'independent' body had ever let go its grip.

" Thus the matter rested until Grand Convocation, when, after due consideration by committee, the following was presented and adopted:—

" I. In the matter of *Horeb* Chapter. Your committee recommends that the action of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest and his proxies, the E. Deputy Grand High Priest and Grand King be approved.

" That the Grand Secretary be instructed to issue to the loyal companions of *Horeb* Chapter who have taken the obligation of fealty and allegiance to this Grand Chapter, a duplicate charter, bearing the same number as the original charter, and reciting upon its face the fact that it is a duplicate, issued in consequence of the illegal detention of the former charter.

" That the Most Excellent Grand High Priest shall issue an edict announcing the restoration of the charter to said loyal members in good standing, and recognizing said Chapter as *Horeb* Chapter, No. 3, and shall order said Chapter to prefer charges against all members who were on the roll of said Chapter previous to the suspension of its charter who have not already, or who shall not, hereafter, upon proper notice, disavow the illegal action of said Chapter, and submit to the authority of this Grand Chapter, and proceed to try the same.

" That the returns from *Horeb* Chapter, No. 3, filed with the Grand Secretary, and signed by Comp. HORACE W. WRIGHT, as High Priest, and Wm. M. MOSKES, as Secretary, be recognized as the legal return from said Chapter for the year ending July 31, 1891, and that the High Priest, King and Scribe, or their lawful proxies, of said Chapter, elected since the authority to resume work in said Chapter, shall be and are recognized as entitled to seats as members of this Grand Chapter during its current session.

" In seconding the motion to adopt M. E. JACOB L'H. LONG spoke as follows, giving correctly, as we think, the proper Masonic course in all such cases:—

" In rising to second this motion, I deem it but proper to give to the members present my reasons for believing that the report ought to be adopted. The Constitution and laws of this Grand Chapter provide sufficient means by which any wrong which may have been done to a Chapter or to a Royal Arch Mason may be remedied. By these means, as well, may the constitutionality of a measure adopted by the Grand Chapter be ascertained; and if the measure so adopted be in derogation of the Constitution and groundwork of Capital Masonry, by these means it may be repealed or declared void. The Chapter, then, or the Royal Arch Mason who undertakes to ignore these means and to right himself by forcible and violent measures, as was the case with those members and officers of *Horeb* Chapter, who undertook to take that Chapter bodily out of the Grand Body to which they owed their existence, were wrong—radically wrong—and ought to be disciplined. Their movement was a sort of Lynch law; as I am opposed to Lynch law as a method of righting civil wrongs or injuries, so I am opposed to anything analogous to it in Masonry.

" Those members of *Horeb* Chapter who did not join in the illegal action should not be punished for that for which they were not responsible, and, if there were

enough of them to keep the charter alive, they are entitled to the new charter in lieu of the one which was wrongfully retained by the recalcitrant members. For these reasons I second the motion to adopt the report of the committee.

"From a distance of three hundred miles, it seems to us that *Horeb* Chapter, No. 3, had no cause for rebellion and invited the action taken; yet, had we been a member of the Grand Chapter of Ohio one year ago, we would not have voted for the resolution aforesaid. And yet, under all, we see the ugly features of the clandestine organization that has so much troubled Connecticut, Iowa, and Ohio, and intruded itself into other States—*Cerneauism*."

We have used more space in the expose of this late gigantic fraud upon the legitimate organizations of Masonry of the present generation, than its importance might seem to warrant, but having had a taste of its quality here on the Pacific coast, we are desirous that our companions should see by the record its practical results.

The *M. E.* RICHARD T. HIGGINS was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* GIL W. BARNARD was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held in the city of Chicago October 26th, 1893.

INDIANA.

The Grand Chapter of Indiana assembled in its forty-seventh Annual Convocation in the city of Indianapolis October 19th, 1892,—the *M. E.* EDWARD J. CHURCH, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the *R. E.* WM. H. SMYTHE being Grand Secretary.

Eighty-seven Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address, saying, among other matters noticed, "that harmony prevails—that no disturbing element has shown itself, and in consequence the Royal Craft are enjoying a healthy and prosperous season."

He reports and laments the death of several illustrious companions of their own in addition to the unusual number of those of other jurisdictions, and says:—

"Let us hope that when the Kind Messenger comes to translate us from this imperfect to that all-perfect Supreme Grand Council of the Universe, we shall meet the beloved companions who have gone before, and renew the fraternal ties so suddenly severed by that change called death.

"Official notice has been sent me of the death of many eminent companions in the various jurisdictions, as follows:—

"Alabama—MYLES JEFFERSON GREENE, Grand Secretary.

"Arkansas—GEORGE L. KIMBALL, Past Grand High Priest.

"Missouri—WILLIAM RIDGWAY PENICK, Past Grand High Priest,

"Missouri—JAMES CARR, Past Grand High Priest.

"Ohio—W. B. HILLMAN, Past Grand High Priest.

"Ohio—LAFAYETTE VAN CLEVE, Grand Chaplain.

"Canada—DAVID McLELLAN, Grand Scribe E.

"Quebec—H. L. ROBINSON, Past Grand First Principal Z.

"Connecticut—CHESTER TILDEN, Past Grand High Priest."

He reports an exceptional state of affairs in regard to decisions, from which we judge the companions of Indiana are not so inquisitive as are those of other jurisdictions that we know of.

"I have received, from time to time, many letters, asking various questions, and have invariably found the Rules and Regulations so plain and specific that it seems to me they are amply sufficient to answer any questions that might ordinarily arise in our subordinate Chapters.

"So far as decisions are concerned, I have made but few, and they were unimportant, therefore I will not weary you by a repetition of them. Suffice it to say, that they were made in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, which invariably make 'crooked things straight.'"

The finances are in a healthy state. The Grand Treasurer's report shows a balance on hand October 21, 1891, \$5,099.08; receipts during the year, \$2,678.43; total, \$7,777.51; disbursements for year, \$2,811.75; balance in treasury, \$4,960.96; total, \$7,777.51.

Comp. THOMAS B. LONG presented the Report of the Committee on Correspondence, reviewing all the proceedings except Florida, Montana, Missouri, Quebec and South Carolina, which had not come to hand. In his notice of Alabama he says:—

"There are forty-one subordinate Chapters in Alabama, with a 'reported' membership of 1,060.

"For the purpose of economizing, after a period of financial distress, the Report on Correspondence, again prepared by Comp. PALMER J. PILLANS, is made briefer than his co-correspondents would like to see it. Yet, in its sixty-three pages of print are plainly exhibited the skill and experience of the veteran writer and compiler, and a fair picture of the happenings in forty-three Grand Jurisdictions is sketched. On this question of economy, Comp. CASWELL, of California, last year expressed the hope 'that Alabama may go on increasing its membership and piling up its shekels until no pent-up Utica shall restrain the powers of its correspondent, but the whole boundless universe be his in which to cavort around upon his high-strung Pegasus.' But to this ardent wish Comp. PILLANS modestly replies: 'We assure our companion, however, that we are now too old and stiff to attempt to mount such a bucking steed as Pegasus, but much prefer the ambling of our donkey.'"

He has kind words for California, extracting liberally from the Address of Grand High Priest MYRICK, and a complimentary allusion to our veteran Grand Secretary and Chairman of Correspondence, Comp. THOS. H. CASWELL, expressing great regret at his determination to retire from active service with the "Corps Correspondents." He says:—

"Comp. THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL presents the Report on Correspondence, reviewing the transactions of forty-seven Grand Chapters, in the compass of sixty-three pages of the proceedings. It is greatly to be regretted that ill-health, together with a time limit of three weeks, constrained him to omit his usual brilliant, as well as learned, comments; but a tenfold increase of sorrow will be experienced by the Corps of Correspondents at reading his wholly unexpected determination to retire from the Guild. His discussion of Masonic topics, through all these years of co-labor, have been so replete with wisdom, his sallies of controversy have often been so full of pleasant humor, and his sympathies have at all times been so kind and fraternal, that his absence from the circle will be most seriously felt.

"Brief as his present paper is, it has a kindly word for each and all of us."

In his review of Iowa, mentioning the proposition brought forward in the Grand Chapter of Iowa to abandon the Cryptic degrees, leaving them to the formation of independent organizations, as Councils of Royal and Select Masters, and the action of the Grand Chapter thereon, he says:—

"After a free and full discussion, a vote on the adoption of the resolution was had by Chapters, with the result of fifty-eight in the affirmative, and one hundred and ninety-two against the report; after which the Committee on Cryptic Masonry were discharged.

"And now, what, in the name of common sense, do the companions of Iowa want with these degrees, in their present condition! Better, by far, have taken the good counsel of such illustrious leaders as PARVIN, CLAIG, LORING, QUIMBY, LACEY, and others—who will scarcely again feel like troubling themselves about them."

In his review of Kansas he pays this tribute to Comp. JOHN H. BROWN, which we think just and deserved:—

"Comp. JOHN H. BROWN, so long the able reviewer for Kansas, again presents the Report on Correspondence, which deals with the transactions of fifty Grand Chapters, and covers one hundred and twenty-three pages of the proceedings. His

comments are somewhat briefer than usual, but here, as has been customary with him, pertinent and incisive, and at the same time genial and courteous. Indiana for 1891 receives ample and fraternal notice, and extracts are made from its Correspondence Report of that year. The entire Craft of our jurisdiction will gratefully appreciate his sincere and touching tribute to the memory of our revered and lost brother, WILLIAM HACKER, of whom he speaks as "that grand companion who throughout the days of his manhood illustrated the principles of Masonry in all its branches, by word, pen and deed."

In the review of Maryland he discusses very fully with Comp. SHULTZ the doctrine of "Physical Ability." In reviewing the District of Columbia, Comp. SHULTZ had said:—

"We hold that if at *any stage after initiation* 'physical disabilities occur' that would render the brother unable to comply with the requirements of the subsequent degrees, he should not be advanced. To *attempt* to confer the Royal Arch degree upon a brother who is 'a blind man,' for instance, or upon one who has lost an arm or a leg, would be to enact a farce, or worse."

Comp. LONG comments by quoting DRUMMOND, of Maine:—

"In marked contrast with this is the 'inclination to hold' otherwise by such a strict constructionist as Comp. DRUMMOND, who, in his review of Washington, in the same year, says:—

"We have seen for years that the question would ultimately be whether a maimed man, with appliances which would allow him to do all Masonic work as readily as a perfect man, is not eligible. Of course, those who hold to the 'perfect youth' theory will say 'no,' while those who give effect to the whole of the 'Old Charge' may be divided in opinion. We hold that if one can do all Masonic work *without artificial appliances*, he is eligible; and while we have preferred to wait till the question should arise before coming to a settled conclusion, we have been inclined to hold that the law is obeyed and the symbolism preserved, if by such appliances the candidate can actually perform all Masonic labor."

All right, companion jurists, we of California are content with a reasonable construction of the limit as defined in our General Regulation 13, to wit: "The limit of physical qualification to be required of a candidate for the degrees conferred by a Royal Arch [Chapter under this jurisdiction, shall be simply that he be enabled to conform strictly to all which the ritual in those degrees makes necessary."

In his review of New York, he says:—

"In his third Report on Correspondence—a pamphlet of two hundred and ten pages, reviewing the proceedings of forty-eight Grand Chapters—Comp. GEORGE J. GARDNER adheres to the views heretofore expressed, that the reviewer should only be a chronicler, and neither a critic nor a controversialist. His position, in this respect, having been fraternally questioned by Comp. DRUMMOND, Comp. SHULTZ and the writer hereof, he says in his introduction, in special reference to the views of the former, somewhat extensively expressed:

"While he has seen fit to differ with us, the large body of our fellow-laborers have concurred in our views. We see no reason for changing them at present. Time, perhaps, may modify them—we shall see."

"But it does not follow because some reporters have copied in full his 'preface' of last year without comment—or but little—and others have remained silent as to its positions, that the large body of his fellow-laborers have concurred in his views. Silence does not give assent in these reports, else everything one copies as a mere matter of Masonic news would be assented to. Where something strikes the reviewer as just and commendable, he approves it by positive expression; if something else appears to him to be dangerous or pernicious, he condemns it in forcible terms; if another matter seems to him to be of questionable propriety, or historically doubtful, he reasons upon it with the best argument at his command. In the discussions that result from differences of opinion, the reader often finds that, upon heretofore uncertain topics, darkness has been made light before him and crooked things straight."

And further on Comp. LONG remarks:—

"Now, if the writer of reviews will do nothing but recount what this or that Grand Body has done during the preceding year, and will insist on clinging to existing *authority* 'first, last, and *always*,' no matter whether right or wrong, and leave all these other grand and glorious fields unentered and unexplored, he is not only hiding his light under a bushel, but he is failing to render a just account of the talents confided to his care.

"In an experience of more than a decade the writer fails to remember that any reporter has expressed his opinions in a dogmatic spirit. The 'I-tell-you-so' manner has entirely escaped his attention in all these years of careful examinations of reviews. The nearest example he can recall is the repeated assertions of Comp. GARDNER that reporters do these things.

"He prepares very excellent reports—as is fully evidenced by the one now under consideration—and is so palpably well equipped to join the 'exalted sources' in the promulgation of 'doctrines and principles,' that he should, and it is believed will, forgive a few of his fellow-workers for prodding him a little in that direction."

In his review of Pennsylvania he extracts from the report of Comp. WM. JAMES HUGHAN, Grand Representative at the Mark Grand Lodge of England from the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania, the following:—

"In evidence of the intimate union subsisting between the Craft—Arch, Mark, Temple, and Ancient and Accepted Rite—I may mention that H. R. H. the Prince of Wales is the Grand Master of the Craft, Mark and Temple, Grand First Principal of the Arch and Grand Patron of the A. and A. Rite, and the present *Pro-Grand Master of England* (equivalent to the G. M.), is a Past Grand Viceroy of the Red Cross of Rome and Constantine.

"As you are aware, the R. A. is recognized by the Grand Lodge of England as the completion of the third degree, and hence it is felt that there should be no financial barrier to the ceremony being generally conferred on eligible Master Masons.

"In Scotland it is not officially recognized, *but the Mark is*, and in Ireland these two and the K. T. and A. and A. Rite are all part of one great and exclusive system (as well as *inclusive*) adopted by the Grand Lodge:

"In England there are now 627 R. A. Chapters, 153 being in London or Metropolitan district, and 474 in the provinces, or the 'country,' as it is called. There are also 116 abroad, making a grand total of 743, being a net increase of 17 on the former year. *Each Chapter must be under the wing of a Craft Lodge on the English Register.*"

In his review of Texas, commenting on a decision of the Grand High Priest in regard to jurisdiction, he says:—

"The Constitution of the Grand Chapter of Texas seems clear enough in its provision that 'no candidate shall be advanced or exalted in any other Chapter than the one nearest his place of residence.' The only correct geographical construction of this enactment is that distance must be measured on an air line, but the Grand High Priest decided the word 'nearest' to mean 'the nearest traveled, practical route.' The Committee on Jurisprudence reason properly against this addition of words, but offer a provision—which was adopted—that will prevent any subsequent misunderstanding. They say:—

"To hold that the rule for computation of the distance should be by the nearest practical traveled route might, in many instances, have the effect of changing the jurisdiction of the Chapters so as to have it to conform to the continual changes in routes of travel. We, therefore, recommend the following:—

"*Resolved*, That the rule for determining the relative distance of applicants from Chapters claiming jurisdiction, shall be by the actual distance on a direct line from the residence of such applicants to the respective Chapters."

Such is the rule in California—the air line governs.

In his review of Washington, concerning physical qualifications we find this:—

"A pertinent query as to the eligibility of a candidate for the degrees who has suffered a most serious maim, held over by the Committee on Jurisprudence from

last year, was disposed of at this session in the following sensible and positive manner:—

"Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to whom was referred the query reported by the Grand High Priest last year and submitted to the Grand Chapter for action and decision, would report the query submitted as follows:—

"Can a worthy Master Mason, a man of intelligence and most exemplary character, but who now unfortunately has lost one of his legs from the knee down, be received as a candidate for the Capitular degrees?"

"Your committee are of the opinion that an applicant for the degrees of Masonry must be of sound body and mind, with no maims or defects, and must be able to conform literally to all the modes of recognition without the aid of the dealer or artist in artificial limbs or appliances. He must be a natural man, and not one made of wood or cork, or substance other than human flesh and bone."

"On this subject, the reader is referred to the views of Comp. SCHULTZ, in the present review of Maryland, and the contrast to them in the occupation of the dangerous precipice Comp. DREXMOND seems poised upon. The very reading of this report should enable the latter very distinguished Mason, and otherwise strict constructionist, to recover his equilibrium."

The following is Comp. LONG's conclusion to this able and exhaustive report:—

"As stated in the prefatory note to the preceding special paper, 'Some Points of History,' it is not intended to make any material additions to this report by way of a 'Conclusion.' The space already consumed has been so great that the writer must deprive himself of the satisfaction taken by him at the end of former efforts of this character, of indulging in pleasant thoughts and moral speculations upon the beneficial aspects of Masonry, in the impulse it has exerted toward true civilization, the advantages it has shed upon the business relationship of men, and the ethical tone it has given to the associations of its members with each other and with the communities of which they have become a part. It is an established fact that all these benefits have been experienced in the past, and will continue to be felt in the future as long as the sublime principles of our institution shall be properly appreciated within the body of our organization, and earnestly and sincerely promulgated in accordance with the time-honored laws and usages of the Fraternity. To effect these ends perfectly, the pure enthusiasm of the past must inspire us in the present, and be transmitted a glowing flame to the future."

"THOMAS B. LONG, *Chairman*."

The *M. E.* EDWARD S. ROSS was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* WILLIAM H. SMITH was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Convocation will be held at Indianapolis, October 18, 1893.

INDIAN TERRITORY.

The Grand Chapter of Indian Territory held its third Annual Convocation at Tahlequah, Cherokee Nation, August 18th, 1892,—the *M. E.* ROBERT WILLIAM HILL, Grand High Priest, presiding, the *R. E.* JOSEPH SAMUEL MURROW being Grand Secretary. Eight Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address, reviewing the progress of the Grand Chapter and presenting food for thought to the membership of his jurisdiction, and after paying a feeling tribute to the fraternal dead, he concludes:—

"To one who is about to lay down the gavel, even though it has been a distinguished honor to be permitted to use it, there comes a sense of relief. He is to be released from responsibility. It has been a great honor which you, my companions, have conferred upon me, and I am sure that I fully appreciate your kindness. Now that I am at the close of my official term, I desire to tender you my hearty thanks for the kindness and cordiality with which you have assisted me in the discharge of my duties. I would that I had been able to discharge them more to my own satisfaction, but 'Man proposes, God disposes.' There is an influence that shapes our destinies, and plan we never so wisely, this influence still carries us onward. 'He who sits upon the circle of the heavens' is wiser than His creatures, and happy are they when their plans are His plans."

"In the endeavor to work out the plans of Royal Arch Masonry, we should be ever ready to recognize His goodness and His wisdom, and follow His leadings. If this we do—if we make true use of our inspired rule of faith and practice—our journey, though it may often be rough and rugged, will at last lead to perfect light. That each of you, my companions, may reach and enjoy that light is my wish."

Comp. P. J. BYRNE, Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, reported that during the year he had been permitted to examine the several reports of the Grand Chapters of the United States, that peace and harmony prevailed in the Royal Arch family, and that he hoped in accordance with the progressive nature of this generation to be able to present a report from the Committee on Correspondence at the next Convocation of the Grand Chapter.

The *M. E.* DE FOREST D. LEACH was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* JOSEPH T. MURROW Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held at Ardmore, February 5th, 1893.

IOWA.

The Grand Chapter of Iowa held its thirty-ninth Annual Convocation at Council Bluffs, November 17th, 1892,—the *M. E.* WILLIAM WILBRAHAM, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the *R. E.* ALF. WINGATE being Grand Secretary. Eighty-eight chartered Chapters were represented.

The Grand Chapter was welcomed to Council Bluffs by Comp. BABCOCK, representing the Royal Arch Masons of that city, and his address of welcome was eloquently responded to by the *M. E.* Grand High Priest.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address, which he commences by offering thanks to the "All-wise Being" for protection during the past year, and reminding the companions that to them is entrusted the responsibility of legislation for the preservation and perpetuation of Capitular Masonry in Iowa. After a general summary of the duties discharged during his term, he announces the death of several Past Grand Officers and distinguished companions, and asks of the Grand Chapter a suitable expression of the sorrow of the Royal Arch Family of Iowa for the departed companions. After reviewing in detail the business of the year, and having no decisions of importance to communicate, he closes by returning thanks for the honors of his high office and bespeaks for his successor the courteous treatment received by himself.

The following proclamation appears as an appendix to the Address of the Grand High Priest:—

"GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF IOWA,
"OFFICE OF GRAND HIGH PRIEST,
"CRESCO, IOWA, November 12th, 1891.)

"To the High Priests, Officers and Companions of the

"several Subordinate Chapters of the Grand Jurisdiction of Iowa:—

"At the thirty-eighth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Iowa, held in the city of Boone, October 22d and 23d, 1891, the following was enacted, viz:—

"Resolved, That any companion of this Grand Jurisdiction who retains his membership in the rite of Masonry called the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the United States, their territories and dependencies, known as the 'Cerneau Body of Scottish Rite,' whether affiliated or non-affiliated Master Mason, shall be proceeded against as for any other Masonic offense, and, if convicted, shall stand expelled from all the rights and privileges of Royal Arch Masonry; and we further declare that any companion holding membership in said Cerneau Body is ineligible to office in any subordinate Chapter or in this Grand Chapter.

"The several High Priests of the subordinate Chapters of this jurisdiction are hereby empowered to see that this law is properly enforced; and the Grand High Priest is required and authorized to arrest the jewel of any High Priest who neglects or refuses to enforce the same.

"Trusting that the High Priests of the subordinate Chapters will see to the immediate enforcement of the law as enacted by the Grand Chapter of Iowa, and with the belief that the faithful discharge on their part of the duties therein imposed will greatly promote the interests of Capitular Masonry throughout this Grand Jurisdiction, I therefore direct that you cause the foregoing to be read at your next regular convocation, and spread in full upon the records of your Chapter.

"Given under my hand and the seal of the Grand Chapter of Iowa, at Cresco, the day and year above written.

"WILLIAM WILBRAHAM,
"Grand High Priest."

The Royal Arch Masons of Iowa seem determined to do their share in the work of rooting out illegitimate Masonry in Iowa.

The thanks of the Grand Chapter were voted to the ladies of *Star* Chapter, No. 47, for the courtesies received during the Convocation.

A fine portrait of the retiring Grand High Priest, M. E. WILLIAM WILBRAHAM, adorns this volume of the proceedings.

The Report on Correspondence was presented by Comp. THOMAS R. ERKANBRACK, Chairman. In reviewing California he comments favorably upon the Address of Comp. MYRICK, and in terms that cannot be improved upon, gives expression to his opinion of CASWELL thus:—

"In this volume each one of the four thousand eight hundred and forty-six Royal Arch Masons who holds his membership in California may find his names printed in full, no matter how many cognomens and prenomens his fond parents may have endowed him with. This is the work of the exquisite THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL, who abhors the designation of 'G. W. SMITH,' but is pleased at the more solemn legend, 'GEORGE WASHINGTON SMITH.'

"Preceding this catalogue is found the ample Report on Correspondence, also the polished work of the same exquisite T. H. C. (How that abbreviation will rattle up the spinal column of Comp. THOMAS). Preceding the report are a few pages that are properly 'proceedings.'

"From them we learn that on the 19th day of April, 1892, our California companions assembled at San Francisco to make the thirty-eighth annual record of progress. The Most Excellent MILTON HILLS MYRICK first took the floor and related to a very complete outfit of officers and delegates an exhaustive statement of his official doings."

After noticing the Grand High Priest's Address favorably, he returns to the Grand Secretary, and comments generally, as follows:—

"With this touch of nature that makes all the world kin, we pass to the report of the Grand Secretary, who states that two hundred and eighty-one weary sojourners found glad welcome in the various tabernacles erected in that jurisdiction, and that two hundred and eighty-two more companions can be relied upon to answer the back-twisting sign of distress than ever before.

"We observe that a few Grand Representatives have undertaken to magnify the office they hold, by submitting short written statements concerning the present condition of the jurisdictions represented by them. The effort is praiseworthy.

"A careful perusal of the reports of the various committees fails to discover anything for us to rebuke, censure or disapprove. We find that the attitude of stern hostility heretofore assumed toward Cerneauism has been firmly maintained. Hence peace."

Having quoted CASWELL's conclusion, he gives him the following bundle of good wishes:—

"But as Comp. CASWELL is still Grand Secretary and Grand Lecturer, we trust that we shall find next year that he is also Grand Reviewer. For the thought of him causes those good lines of TENNYSON to travel back into the regions of our memory:

"Some novel power
Sprang up forever at a touch,
And hope could never hope too much,
In watching thee from hour to hour."

On behalf of Comp. CASWELL we return thanks to Comp. ERKANBRACK for kind mention and affectionate remembrance, and assure him that the feeling is fully reciprocated.

In his review of Indiana, we find this pungent summary :—

"All reports of committees were characterized by brevity and unanimity. In fact the business department of the Convocation was a blessed monotony of sweet accord. Each officer and representative beamed mildly, drew his mileage and per diem with alacrity, and departed regretfully."

A method of transacting business not by any means confined to Indiana.

Comp. ERCANBRACK's facility of expression is enviable; for instance, in reviewing Nevada, he says :—

"Of the eight Chapters in the State, but seven of them make returns, and of them two report two exaltations each. Three newcomers presented dimits; this gives an increase of seven; but meantime four withdrew, seven wearied of paying dues, and seven rested from all earthly labor, leaving three hundred and one to mourn their departure. We hope that this net loss of eleven is to be attributed to some other cause than apathy."

And of New Jersey :—

"A few newspaper clippings suggest that possibly there may be something crooked in New Jersey politics, but there are no crooks among her Royal Arch Masons.

"In Trenton, on May 11th, 1892, the New Jersey Royal Arch Masons took the thirty-sixth inventory of their fraternal affairs. It was ascertained that they were not doing a losing business, but quite the contrary. The muster roll and the exchequer are both on the increase.

"The Grand High Priest, ROBERT A. SIMPSON, in the preparation of his Address failed to inflate himself, or lick the 'blarney stone.' Therefore his Address was simple, truthful and reliable."

And of New York :—

"Thousands of Iowa citizens drew first breath and first swallow of sustenance in New York, and filial affection abides in their bosoms. The writer hereof is a Fulton County product, and for years he and his faithful dog drove a lowing herd back and forth over the Herkimer County hills. When any considerable part of New York people prove recreant to honor and truth he is suffused with mortification; but when New Yorkers fulfill the mission of noble manhood, his cap leaps high in air. Not a year passes but the blushes come and the cap goes up.

"But there is a set of men in New York whose record is always good. The Royal Arch Masons, when doing business or beneficence under that name, seldom swerve from the path of exact rectitude."

Might have known, Comp. ERCANBRACK, that you were a Mohawk Dutchman. We share your pride and enthusiasm in behalf of the Masons of the Empire State.

Comp. E. gives this fitting conclusion :—

"Thus ends our Capitular researches and reviews for 1892. If a single Royal Arch Mason reads these pages, or any part of them, we ask him is his soul so dead that many a time and oft he has not to himself exultingly said: 'This is my royal social home, and these royal people are my boon companions?'

"That portion of American citizens who compose the Capitular companionship may each be described as—

"He that holds fast the golden mean,
And lives contentedly between the little and the great,
Feels not the wants that pinch the poor
Nor plagues that haunt the rich man's door."

"And—

"All are parts of one stupendous whole
Whose body nature is, and God the soul."

The M. E. CLINTON S. FLETCHER was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. ALF. WINGATE was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held at Waterloo, October 12th, 1893.

KANSAS.

The twenty-seventh Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Kansas was held in the city of Leavenworth February 15th, 1892,—the M. E. MATTHEW M.

MILLER, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. JOHN H. BROWN being Grand Secretary. Sixty Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Address—an able and interesting paper—in which he recounts in eloquent language the history of the Masonic Bodies of Kansas, and pays overflowing tribute to the memory of the Masons who organized and conducted through their infancy these Grand Masonic Organizations of their State.

The distinguished dead of the year, including those of our neighbors of the British possessions, are mentioned with respect and veneration. We think his tribute to the dead of other jurisdictions with its closing allusion to the veteran Mason, ALBERT PIKE, so fraternal and fitting that we reproduce it here. After reciting the names of—

HENRY BROWN of British Columbia;
ALEX. G. ABELL of California;
JOHN OTTO of Delaware;
JOHN F. NIELACK of Florida;
SAMUEL LAWRENCE of Georgia;
HOSMER ALLEN JOHNSON and JOHN DALLAS HAMILTON of Illinois;
IRA BERRY of Maine;
JOHN S. TYSON of Maryland;
ALFRED F. CHAPMAN and WM. P. ANDERSON of Massachusetts;
JOHN H. BROWN and CALEB H. BENTON of Minnesota;
A. B. CADWORTH of Michigan;
JOHN J. PRENTISS of New Hampshire;
WM. HARDACRE of New Jersey;
ED. J. JUDSON of New York;
DANIEL A. SCOTT of Ohio;
A. DOTY of South Carolina;
LAFAYETTE B. SOPHER, FRANKLIN HAVEN BASCOMB and JOHN B. HOLLENBECK of Vermont; and
DANIEL HOWELL of Wisconsin;

He closes with the following beautiful tribute to ALBERT PIKE:—

“ To the past go more dead faces
Every year;
As the loved leave vacant places
Every year;
Everywhere the sad eyes meet us,
In the evening's dusk they greet us,
And to come to them entreat us;
Every year.

“ But the truer life draws nigher
Every year;
And its morning stars climb higher
Every year;
Earth's hold on us grows sligher,
And the heavy burdens lighter,
And the dawn-immortal brighter,
Every year.

“ The voice of the poet which gave utterance to this sweet song, is hushed in death. The sweet singer, full of years and honors, sustained and soothed by an unfaltering trust, surrounded by the loved ones of his household and his children in Masonry—to whom he had ever been a faithful mentor, guide and companion—wrapped the drapery of his couch about him, and with the last request, ‘Open the shutters and let in the dawn,’ ALBERT PIKE, the ‘old man eloquent,’ laid down to pleasant dreams, while the light of the dawn of eternity shone in on his soul. Born December 29th, 1803, at Boston, Massachusetts, he died at Washington, District of Columbia, April 2d, 1891, aged eighty-one years, three months and three days.

“ Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Arkansas, Grand Commander Supreme Council Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Masonry, there was no station occupied by him to which he did not bring added honor in the performance of its duties.

"Those of you who were present have not forgotten the impression made by him in this city eleven years ago upon the members of the Grand Lodge of Kansas, when he gave what he called a 'talk' upon the symbolic signification of the work in the drama of the third degree. What an infinity of thought and research it suggested to minds theretofore content with the feeble outlines of the monitor. The thoughtful faces of the grave and dignified veterans in Masonry were no less a study than those of their younger brethren present.

"When he finished all were dumb,
And each man turned and gazed upon his neighbor—
Who with the like dumb answered him.

"He was a ripe scholar, one who believed there was a reason for every step taken in Masonry, and who never rested from his labors and researches in his chosen field, until his investigations, embellishments and elaborations had given to the Scottish Rite a ritual and literature at once the wonder and the admiration of the Masonic students of the world.

"Poet, scholar, companion, commander, we who are about to die, salute thee.

"And so we close the record of our dead. Sad would it be to us if this were indeed the end. Happy indeed are we when we contemplate companions and friends gone before, that we are not compelled to mourn as those without hope of future companionship around the altar before the great white throne of Heaven; that Masonically we are taught unhesitatingly to give an emphatic negative when asked, 'Does death end all?'

"Be ye ready, as were your companions for the grim conductor. For

"There comes a time—it comes to all,
When we shall hear the Warden's call;
And each, with ashlar rough or true,
Must pass Death's solemn portal through;
Be it ours, companions, then to hear,
From the Master's lips these words of cheer—
'Your work is found both true and square,
Pass on!'

The following decisions, upon questions submitted, are reported:—

"DECISIONS.

"Decisions have been called for upon questions of various kinds; the following rulings upon matters submitted I deem of sufficient importance to the Craft at large to report:—

"1. A is accepted on his petition to Chapter No. 1 to receive the degrees, but before the degrees are conferred, removes into the jurisdiction of Chapter No. 2. Held, that upon petitioning for advancement in No. 2, accompanied with a request from No. 1 for a completion of the work, and on his acceptance to receive the degrees, they could be conferred by No. 2.

"Suspension by a Lodge of Master Masons of one who is also a Capitular Mason, operates as a suspension from all of the rights and privileges of Capitular Masonry. In the absence of any prescribed course of procedure, if the person is a member of the Chapter, it is sufficient to file in the Chapter archives a certified copy of the record of suspension from the Master Mason's Lodge, the High Priest making declaration thereupon in open Chapter that 'in accordance with Masonic and Capitular custom, Comp. ——— is suspended from all the rights and privileges of Capitular Masonry;' and the Secretary should enter upon the minutes of the Chapter a proper record thereof.

"3. Under Paragraph 2, Section 25, Grand Chapter By-Laws, the officers of the vails in a Chapter are designated 'Masters of the Vails.' In the work of a subordinate Chapter the officer designated should be addressed in conformity with the law as 'Master of the First Vail' and not 'Grand Master of the First Vail,' etc.

"4. A paper in the general form of a dimit, with signatures of individuals representing themselves respectively as High Priest and Secretary, and with a seal attached purporting to be that of the Chapter granting the dimit, but which neither in the body of the paper or impression of the seal, anywhere gives information that it emanates from a Chapter under any Grand Jurisdiction, is not proper evidence upon which to warrant including its possessor in the membership of a Chapter U. D. in this jurisdiction.

"5. Proof of restoration in the Master Mason's Lodge, where judgment of suspension was given, duly presented and filed in the Chapter, operates to restore the companion who has been so suspended, to all his rights as a Capitular Mason upon declaration thereof in open Chapter by the High Priest.

" 6. Conferring the Royal Arch degree upon six candidates by the same ceremony, in the same room, at the same time, is improper, and a violation of the Regulations of Royal Arch Masonry.

" 7. An adverse vote upon a ballot for the Capitular degrees when the candidate has been declared duly rejected, cannot be reconsidered and ballot again spread at a subsequent meeting, notwithstanding the fact that a companion declares that he cast the rejecting vote under a misapprehension of fact, and desires to correct his error. A period of six months must elapse before the candidate can renew his petition for the degrees.

" 8. A Master Mason who possesses the moral and mental qualifications requisite, who applies for the Capitular degrees, should not be rejected simply because since he became a Master Mason he has lost his left hand, or is otherwise dismembered, provided he can comply with the substantial requirements of the ritual."

The Grand High Priest don't believe in waiting until a faithful official, who is particularly alive and zealous in this world, "shall lie moldering in his grave," before giving him the public recognition he deserves for faithful and efficient service, and in accordance with his belief awards, without stint, to the R. E. Jno. H. Brown, Grand Secretary, the acknowledgment of efficient service rendered to the Craft.

The M. E. Grand High Priest appointed a committee of three to act with a similar committee appointed by the Grand Lodge, to consider the matter of establishing an "Orphans' Home."

The R. E. John H. Brown, Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, presented his report, with the following preface:—

"In preparing the annexed report, the plan heretofore followed has been adopted. The papers of which it is composed will show the condition of the several Grand Chapters whose proceedings have received attention. Steadily the Royal Craft has been gaining, both in number of Chapters and of members. No sign of discord is above the horizon; on the contrary, peace and harmony seem to pervade each jurisdiction.

"Our own Grand Jurisdiction is not behind contemporaries in labor on the new Temple. From no Chapter have words of discouragement been heard, while the great majority report healthful progress in the private work, and an increase in the ranks by the incoming of valuable workmen.

"We congratulate our companions on the success which has attended their efforts for the year just closed, and extend to them sincere thanks for the aid we have received at their hands."

He gives California kindly notice, thinks our laws in regard to non-affiliates are too severe, and ought to be modified to square with the benevolent spirit of the age. He extracts from Comp. Caswell's report, and finally says: "More we could cull, but we are disposed to wait and see what sort of a face he will make at Kansas next year."

You will miss the "faces" this year, Comp. Brown, and must take "the substitute" for better or for worse.

In his review of Maine, he replies to Comp. Drummond, who had written upon the early organization of Chapters Grand and subordinate, as follows:—

"Yes, but the Masons, who formed them, were *good* enough Masons, and *true* enough Masons to receive the institution as it was, and organize it as it was, without reference to their views of civil government: they professed that 'it is not in the power of any man, or body of men, to make innovations in the body of Masonry,' and *their* practice conformed to their professions. If any one is so attached to 'representative government' (whatever that may mean) that he cannot obey Masonic law as it existed *before* 'the expulsion of monarchy,' etc., he has the right to get out of Masonry, but no right to undertake to change it and make it conform to his notions of representative government."

Which calls from Comp. Brown the following independent demurrer:—

"The little they received was greatly augmented by the Royal Arch tinkers, chief among whom was the inventor of the M. E. M. degree, and others who at longer or shorter distances followed his example, hence the autocratic cast given to all the forms of the parts that make up Royal Arch Masonry; which,

however, the intelligence of Masons now-a-days is gradually reducing to a minimum. We will not insult our companion's understanding by even supposing him not to know what is meant by representative government civilly considered, and refer him only to the law of the General Grand Chapter, and that of several of its constituent Grand Chapters, for what we meant and mean by representative government in Masonry.

"The pretense that any system devised by man or men is not amenable to change, nor can be changed when the environments of their successors are changed, when human wants suggest it, and advanced intelligence demands it, comes with bad grace, even by hints or innuendo, from one who lives in an age that is steadily supplementing the useless and effete with what an improved social status requires to promote the welfare of mankind, and build them up to the highest level attainable by the race. Masonry professes to be the handmaid of the church; the church does not stand still, but advances every decade, awarding to its members greater personal, moral freedom, and Masonry, to make good its professions, must keep pace, must sunder all useless restraints and break down all barriers which halt or turn aside vigorous, direct, positive action, keeping meanwhile an eye on the firm maintenance of the essentials which constitute its foundation. In fine, nothing made by man is insusceptible of change, and Masonry is not an exception. We need cite but one example, the action of the Grand Lodge of England.

"In conclusion of this paragraph we give due notice that we shall not go out, but remain while life lasts to insist on such reformatory changes as we deem wise, whether we shall, or shall not, witness their adoption."

In his review of New York he comments upon the duty of a writer on Correspondence to assume the part of critic or censor over the acts of the bodies coming under observation, and concludes as follows:—

"A few of the fellows of the Guild have adopted and continue the course pursued by our New York companions, while the many of late years have not hesitated to criticise the actions of Grand Chapters and contemporary correspondents, some of the bolder indulging in language often in vogue during exciting political elections, and, in some instances, charging brethren, companions, etc., with tergiversation and falsehood, if not giving the lie direct. Of such practices it is enough to say that they are not manly nor Masonic. We have tried hard to pursue a middle course, and, from the observations of those who have reviewed our reports, feel that we have not often failed. We have vindicated the Masonic laws of Kansas whenever criticised or aspersed, if capable of defense. While on the other hand we have not failed to point out what we deemed erroneous in other jurisdictions, but with no disposition to dictate nor dogmatize when finding anything deemed at war with the recognized principles of the Craft, and not in accord with justice and broad humanity. Yet we are not egotistical enough to say that we have been more useful in our jurisdiction than Comp. INNES and those who follow his method have been in theirs, albeit they comment but little on the matter which they gather and arrange for the perusal of their home companions, leaving them unbiased to form and mature their own opinions.

"However, we think the plan we have heretofore followed will not in future be varied from while we hold the pen.

In his review of Oregon he commends Comp. EARTHART for his courtesy in the discharge of his duty as Correspondent, and quotes approvingly his review of Michigan, in which he refers to a practice condemned by the Grand High Priest of that jurisdiction, as follows:—

"Grand High Priest calls the attention of the companions to a custom somewhere among the Royal Craft of conferring the degree in a ridiculous manner, some going so far in the extreme as to despoil the degree and make it in reality a roaring farce. Perhaps there is too much of this going on everywhere. There are 'boys' who will convert a prayer into a burlesque on good morals. The only way is to stop it. As remarked:

"A little nonsense now and then,
Is relished by the best of men."

"It would seem thus, but there are places where a little nonsense is not relished by the best of men, and the occasion here alluded to is one of them."

Comp. BROWN, concurring, says:—

"We are pleased to remark that the nuisance alluded to by Comp. EARNHART has become nearly extinct in the Sunflower State. Now-a-days the Chapter degrees are conferred in our Chapters with decent regard to the solemnity which the instruction, when uninterrupted, is calculated to inspire in the heart of the candidate and impress on his memory."

We leave this interesting "Chairman" for the present.

The M.: E.: J. C. POSTHWAITE was elected Grand High Priest, and the R.: E.: JOHN H. BROWN was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Convocation will be held at the city of Hutchinson, February 12, 1893.

KENTUCKY.

The M.: E.: Grand Chapter of Kentucky held its Annual Convocation at Louisville, October 18th, 1892. The M.: E.: CHAS. HENRY FISK, Grand High Priest, presided, and the R.: E.: HENRY BANNISTER GRANT being Grand Secretary. Fifty-nine Chapters were represented.

The M.: E.: Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address. After paying a loving tribute to the distinguished dead of the past year, and reciting the business transactions of the Grand Chapter, he refers with the commendable pride of a Kentucky Mason to that splendid monument to Kentucky Masonry, "The Widows' and Orphans' Masonic Home," and speaks with commendable pride of the spread of the seed implanted by his brethren in 1866. May the good work go on and prosper in every other jurisdiction as it has in Kentucky.

No important legislation was transacted at this session.

Past Grand High Priest GRANT offered the following resolution, which was adopted:—

"Resolved, That the gavel used by the retiring M.: E.: Grand High Priest be presented to him, in token of the regard of this Grand Chapter, and that the Grand Secretary cause it to be suitably engraved."

Comp. JAMES W. STATON presented the Report on Correspondence. In reviewing Arkansas he says:—

"The Address of the Grand High Priest embraces seventeen pages, and is a well prepared paper. He seems to have embraced every conceivable interest of the Royal Craft in his jurisdiction in the paper, and presented each in a strong light. He pays a beautiful tribute to the memory of Arkansas' distinguished dead, Comp. ALBERT PIKE, claiming him as their own. While Arkansas may have had a special claim upon him, by reason of his early and long connection with the Masonry of that jurisdiction, yet we are grateful that Universal Masonry had claims upon him. He was too great to be the exclusive property of one jurisdiction."

Comp. STATON reviews California as follows:—

"Grand Officers all present, together with twelve Past Grand Officers, and the representatives of fifty-eight chartered Chapters, responded to roll call.

"The Grand High Priest told the Craft of his official acts for the year in a very neat paper of something over three pages, in which he has laid great stress on the qualifications of High Priests in the Work and Ritual, that they may be qualified to instruct others. Good advice, which ought to be heeded by every High Priest, whether in California or elsewhere.

"He was present at the December Convocation, 1891, of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts, and witnessed the exemplification of the Work and Lectures before the Grand Chapter on that occasion, and was singularly impressed with the eagerness and attention given by the large audience of companions. All this interest grew out of the fact that the Grand Chapter had an accomplished and elegant Grand Lecturer whose soul is in the work, and he imparts enthusiasm and a desire for knowledge whenever and wherever he goes. This may be the case in any jurisdiction who will adopt and practice the Grand Lecturer's system.

"The Report on Correspondence is again the handiwork of our esteemed friend and companion, THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL. It is not up to his usual style. On account of continued ill health he had abandoned all hope of preparing a report, and not until within three weeks of the meeting of the Grand Chapter did he decide to prepare

one, when he concluded that the Grand Chapter should have a Report on Correspondence even if it should prove his last. In the short time allotted it was impossible to prepare an elaborate report, or 'talk back at the other fellow' very much, as is his custom when he sees anything to 'talk back' about.

"We are sorry that he could not produce a report coming up to his high standard, but we are delighted that his health permitted him to prepare the one before us. We hope in the future to see many more of the interesting reports which he is so competent to prepare.

"We find that he gives Kentucky for 1891 less than a page, in which he refers to the unpleasantness growing out of our new Constitution. The death of Comp. BASSETT is tenderly alluded to, in which he says:—

"We feel inexpressively sad to notice the demise of our worthy companion. For six years he wrote the Reports on Correspondence for Kentucky, and always in a spirit of fairness, impartiality and courtesy deserving of all praise."

"A resolution to co-operate with the Grand Lodge of Masons of California, relative to founding a Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home, and appropriating \$5,000 thereto, went to the Finance Committee, which reported adversely to the appropriation, on the ground of want of sufficient funds to do so. But the Grand Chapter amended a resolution requiring the surplus funds to be invested in 'Masonic Temple Association' stock, and after the amendment, the resolution to co-operate with the Grand Lodge was unanimously adopted. Our California brethren seem to be in dead earnest in this matter, and it looks like it would be 'a go'."

"It was decided that it was the positive duty of High Priests of Chapters having knowledge of the violation of General Regulation No. 21, which, in plain words, provides for the punishment of Royal Arch Masons who attach themselves to the Cerneau bodies, to see that charges are preferred, and violators of said Regulation are punished. That's right. Stick by the law, or wipe it off of the statute book."

In reviewing Texas, speaking of the Address of the Grand High Priest, he says:—

"On the subject of physical qualification of candidates he ruled according to the straight jacket standard. One candidate had lost the two front fingers of the left hand, and the other was minus a portion of his middle finger. We have no patience with 'perfect youth' foolishness, and have only to say that if those candidates had have applied to the writer's Chapter, and otherwise had have been all right, they would have passed through certain. The personal feelings of the Grand High Priest do not seem so favorable to the iron-clad doctrine, for which we commend him."

Bro. STATION gives us the Wisconsin law in regard to exclusion:—

"A brother two years in arrears for dues may be 'excluded,' which simply places him in the position of a non-affiliate. But, if he remains excluded for two years, he can be proceeded against for unmasonic conduct, and punished as the Lodge sees fit. So that, in accordance with a sustained decision of the General Grand Chapter, so long as he remains merely excluded, his Chapter standing is not affected."

And he remarks:—

"We regard the 'exclusion' business as thus defined to be about equal to no punishment at all. It puts the member on the footing of a non-affiliate, so that he may prey on Lodge and Chapter wheresoever he may please for at least two years anyhow, and longer if the Lodge does not lay heavy hands on him, which is not always done with promptness."

In his review of Vermont he says:—

"The Annual Address is an admirable paper embracing ten and a half pages. Four worthy persons are referred to as having crossed the Jordan of death, having put on immortality. None of them had gained any distinction as Grand Officers, except one, who had been Grand Treasurer. They all have loving remembrance in the Address. The dead of other jurisdictions, so far as he had obtained the names, have kindly mention."

"The Report on Correspondence was prepared and presented by Comp. MARSH O. PERKINS, Past Grand High Priest, who is no novice in this character of work in other departments of Masonry, but presents this report as his first effort in this department. He is a forcible writer and his impress is left on every page of his report herein. The paper embraces sixty-one pages, and Kentucky for 1891 finds a place therein, and more than two pages are devoted to a review thereof."

"He seems to have had Tennessee 'on the brain,' for in notice of the death and funeral obsequies of our BASSETT he makes him out Past Grand everything, and all from Tennessee, and says, 'the thanks of the Royal Craft will go out to Tennessee

for presenting at this time a striking likeness of this deeply lamented Masonic scholar and guide." Now, Tennessee had little to do, in fact nothing to do, with all these things referred to. Our BASSETT was a wood-dyed Kentuckian, and was thoroughly identified with Kentucky Masonry. No Kentucky Mason ever lived or died who was so much beloved as was HIRAM BASSETT, and therefore we enter our protest against having him turned over to Tennessee or any other State. Let him stay where he naturally belonged, on Kentucky soil, which he loved so well to claim as his own.

"We do not doubt our worthy companion's mind was wandering when he penned that review, or at least that part of it."

In his review of South Dakota he says:—

"It was declared that Masons suspended or expelled by a Blue Lodge were also suspended or expelled by the Chapter. That has always been the law, and should be so necessarily, because the Chapter, as at present organized, cannot have an existence without permission of the Blue Lodge. The stream cannot rise higher than its source."

We part with Comp. STATION and his excellent review with regret.

The M. E. CAMPBELL H. JOHNSON was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. HENRY B. GRANT was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held in Louisville on the third Tuesday in October, 1893.

LOUISIANA.

The forty-fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Louisiana was held at New Orleans February 9th, 1892,—the M. E. WM. BENEDICT, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the R. E. RICHARD LAMBERT being Grand Secretary. Eleven Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Address, thanking the Giver of all good for the blessing of meeting at this time in health and strength, with official ranks unbroken, untouched by the wasting hand of death. But, although spared at home, he notes the sad intelligence of the death of his former friend and associate, companion and leader, ALBERT PIKE, and pays tribute to his vast mental gifts, and his memory as a Mason, writer and poet.

After commenting upon the ordinary routine business of the Grand Chapter, he writes the following conclusion:—

"The time has nearly arrived when our official relations must terminate; permit me to express to you my heartfelt thanks for the high and exalted station to which you have elected me, and although all my official acts may not fully meet your approval, yet believe me, that I have been actuated by no other motive than that of carrying out the Constitution and laws to the best of my ability. Thus far have I borne the banner you have entrusted to my charge, and endeavored to maintain its honor; and hope that in your choice of my successor, you will elect a companion better qualified than I am to discharge these sacred duties. May union and harmony characterize the transactions of this Grand Convocation and the result of our labors be remembered for the good we have done when we shall have passed away."

The Committee on Correspondence reported as follows:—

"Your committee having been reorganized at a recent date by the resignation of its Chairman and the appointment of another in his place, upon whom, as by custom, the work of preparing the report has devolved, it seems proper to your committee that the time is opportune to state in general terms what, in our opinion, such reports should be. It is our own opinion, and is not intended in any sense as a criticism upon the work and the output of other similar committees.

"We observe that the general custom of Foreign Correspondence Committees is to prepare a *Critique* of all the doings of other Grand Bodies, including as a leading feature the addresses of the several Grand High Priests. We recognize the very great value to the student of current Masonic law of these reports, but the time at our disposal is not sufficient to prepare such an extended review.

"The omission of your committee to have something to say about the good looks and orderly behavior of each of the sisters of the great 'Sisterhood' of Grand Chapters, may not, and must not be ascribed to any lack of appreciation on our behalf of their many comely graces, nor of the astute wisdom that dwells in their several heads."

In regard to fees this resolution was adopted:—

“On motion of R. E. Comp. GEORGE O. ELMS, it was

“Resolved, That the resolution adopted at the last Annual Convocation in 1891 and omitted from the printed proceedings of that year, be printed in this year's proceedings, as follows:—

“That Section 13 of the Constitution, first five lines, be amended to read as follows:—

“Section 13. Fees.—No subordinate Chapter shall charge a less sum than ten dollars for the Royal Arch degree, nor a less sum than five dollars for the Mark degree, nor a less sum than twenty dollars for all the degrees together, in the country Chapters, and not less than thirty dollars in the parish of Orleans; which was unanimously adopted February 10th, 1891.”

The M. E. T. J. HEARD was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. RICHARD LAMBERT was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Convocation will be held in New Orleans on Tuesday after the second Monday of February, 1893.

MAINE.

The M. E. Grand Chapter of Maine held its sixty-seventh Annual Convocation in the city of Portland, May 3d, 1892,—the M. E. CHAS. J. COLLAMORE, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the R. E. STEPHEN BERRY being Grand Secretary. Forty-one Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address—referring first to the great loss the jurisdiction had sustained in the death of Comp. IRA BERRY—which we reproduce here in memory of that distinguished veteran Mason:—

“COMPANIONS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER:—

“Through the continued blessings of our Heavenly Father we are again permitted to assemble in Annual Convocation, to review the work of the year now ended, and to do what may seem to us best for the preservation and perpetuation of our noble Fraternity. The year has been one of quiet prosperity, marked by no important events, either for good or otherwise.

“It is most natural, and it is fitting, that our first thought upon reassembling should be given to those, who, during the year, have passed to the new life beyond the White Veil.

“September 20, 1891, the long and useful life of our venerable Grand Secretary, IRA BERRY, came to a peaceful close. He was buried on September 23d. As your representative, I attended his funeral and assisted in the ceremonies, which were under the direction of the M. W. Grand Lodge.

“Bro. BERRY was initiated in *Ancient Landmark* Lodge, in Portland, in March, 1853. He was Secretary of that body from 1854 to 1865, and was elected an Honorary Member in 1868. Exalted in *Mount Vernon* R. A. Chapter, No. 1, Portland, July 19, 1853, and was its Secretary from 1859 to 1869. Received the Royal and Select degrees in *Portland* Council, No. 4, December 10, 1855. He was Knighted in *Portland* Commandery, K. T., December 7, 1854, holding various offices for several years; he was Recorder from 1863 to 1867, and was elected an Honorary Member in 1873. He received the Scottish Rite degrees to the 32° in Portland in 1863.

“He was elected Grand Secretary of this Grand Chapter in May, 1854, and served as such until his death, Sept. 20, 1891, 37 years and 5 months. He was also the Recording Officer of the Grand Lodge, of the Grand Commandery, and of the Grand Council from May, 1856, until his death, 35 years and 5 months.

“Comp. BERRY was born in New Durham, N. H., Sept. 23, 1801. He learned the trade of printer and followed that business many years, being connected meanwhile with several newspapers.

“He assisted in building the first telegraph line between Boston and New York, and was the first operator and manager of the Boston office. He was an ardent lover of flowers and music.

“I wish to add my testimony—after many years of official connection with Comp. BERRY—to his unflinching kindness, courtesy and good nature, and frequent valuable assistance always promptly and willingly rendered.

“In response to the official announcement of his death, there has come up from all parts of the country, and the Masonic world, from Grand Subordinate Bodies, and from individual Masons, such an universal expression of sorrow and sympathy, as few—very few—Masons can ever receive.

"But we are not alone in our sorrow. From almost all our sister Grand Chapter come the echo of mourning bells, reminding us of the departure of loved and trusted companions."

The Grand High Priest's Address was devoted to the business of the session.

Full and interesting reports were received from the District Deputy Grand High Priests of the several Districts, and from them the condition of Royal Arch Masonry in Maine is found to be progressing upward and onward.

The veteran Comp. JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND presented his Report on Foreign Correspondence. We will not attempt to fix the grade of excellence of any paper furnished by Comp. DRUMMOND, and will only say that it speaks for itself. In his review of Alabama we notice this:—

"We find it noted as an 'irregularity' that the records of a Chapter, U. D., show that 'on several occasions said Chapter opened up from the Mark Master to Royal Arch degree, and closed down from Royal Arch to Mark Master.' We agree with the committee that it was an irregularity; we don't believe in the comparatively modern practice of 'opening up and closing down,' which prevails in some jurisdictions, or that of 'opening down and closing up,' which prevails in others; but believe that the old practice of opening *the Chapter* on whatever degree the work to be done requires, and of closing *the Chapter* when the business of the meeting is completed."

He notices our California proceedings favorably—quotes from Grand High Priest MYRICK's Address, and endorses it as "good advice to High Priests;" copies the report of our Committee on Jurisprudence, to enforce the anti-Cerneau legislation, and expresses his heartfelt sympathy with Comp. CASWELL in his affliction; hopes that he has fully recovered and that he will appear during the next season, "pen in hand, with visor down, ready to do battle with any foreigner that don't like California."

Permit us to remark to you privately, Comp. DRUMMOND, that CASWELL is all right; his good right arm has reasserted itself, and he is fit for duty. But if you sympathizing friends in the Far East don't quit sympathizing with him he'll have his arm in a sling again before Grand Chapter meets; it affects his nervous system—so much sympathy.

Comp. DRUMMOND makes the following excellent comment upon a report of Comp. JOHN H. BARLOW, of Connecticut, upon concurrent jurisdiction: "We do not think a waiver is complete without the consent of all, as one Chapter can only relinquish a right it holds in common with the others," etc.

Comp. D. says:—

"This is based upon the too commonly made error that a Chapter 'has a right' in a candidate. The law of jurisdiction was not made to give Chapters *rights* in candidates, but to compel candidates to apply where they are presumably best known or with the endorsement of a Chapter by whom they are presumably best known; a waiver of jurisdiction is no release of a right, but an endorsement of the candidate's fitness."

Comp. DRUMMOND, after commenting upon the difference and opinions in regard to the use of substitutes, relates his own experience thus:—

"This consideration is especially weighty in the case of country Chapters. We traveled twenty-five miles to get the Royal Arch degree, and there was one other candidate present, and if the Illinois rule had prevailed, we both would have returned home without it. We believe now, as we believed then, that if a Chapter has only three candidates a year, it would be far better to confer the degree upon one at a time and thus give them and the other companions opportunities to witness the work; because the very object of the work is to teach the principles of Masonry to Masons as well as to candidates.

"The records of the oldest Chapters in the country show that the old practice was to use substitutes and that the requirement of three actual candidates grew up afterwards; and, as we believe, by failing to appreciate that the ceremony is *symbolical*.

"If the work is properly done, the dignity and impressiveness of the ceremonies are not marred and no unfavorable impression upon the candidate or the substitute is produced; at any rate, such has been the case in our own personal experience."

Under Iowa for 1891 Com. DRUMMOND relates this incident:—

"A High Priest of a Chapter, who had been suspended by the Grand Lodge, probably for a violation of the 'Anti-Cerneau legislation,' wrote to the Grand High Priest giving a full statement of the case, and asking 'if he should ignore the edict of the Grand Master and proceed with his duties as High Priest.' A long correspondence ensued, which resulted in the Grand High Priest issuing an order to the High Priest to turn over his Jewel to the King. This order was at once complied with, and the result was that afterwards the Chapter did more work than it had done for several years.

"This brought the law of the Grand Lodge to the attention of the Grand Chapter, which, apparently, without dissent, enacted the same law, with such changes as to make it applicable to Chapters in place of Lodges.

"The question of this High Priest, whether he should 'disregard the edict of the Grand Master,' which officially announced the action of the Grand Lodge, illustrates the doctrine which he and those acting with him maintain. While the leaders at once disavowed the action of their followers in forming a bogus Grand Lodge in Ohio, they had taught them that they could pronounce upon the action of their Grand Lodge and declare it void and 'disregard the edict' of the Grand Lodge; it is manifest that the followers have done no more than follow the doctrine of their leaders to its logical result, and their disavowal will not relieve them from the responsibility. We are informed on reliable authority that these same leaders *still retain on their published rosters of officers the names of those suspended and expelled Masons, including this very High Priest!*"

In commenting on the report of Comp. STATION, of Kentucky, he says:—

"He thinks, as we do, that the Blue Lodge is the backbone of Masonry; but we believe there are exceptions to this rule—that if a man is not able to belong to more than one body, that body should always be the Lodge. We knew one companion in particular, whom circumstances called early in his Masonic life to official position in the Chapter, which was long continued and prevented his holding office in the Lodge. We can readily understand his expressed feeling, that, having been so long in active service in the Chapter, if he must give up one, he should give up the Lodge rather than the Chapter. We believe that the question is one that can be decided only by the circumstances in each case, and that a companion is justified in consulting his tastes and surroundings in deciding it."

Under Texas, he answers a question by Comp. KIDD:—

"He asks what is the 'use of the General Grands?' They tend to make Masonry what it claims to be, and *ought to be*, an INSTITUTION; and not, as it is, a number of distinct societies, each one practicing as Masonry what it chooses to say is Masonry. The greatest danger to Freemasonry arises from carrying into it the ideas and views which grow out of our ideas and views as citizens, forgetting that while our interests as citizens are diverse, our interests as true Masons are in entire unison. We confess that this same spirit has been carried into the General Grand Bodies to an extent that has greatly injured their usefulness."

In his review of Washington, speaking of the Grand High Priest's Address, Comp. D. says:—

"He was inclined to hold that if a Lodge tries a Mason and acquits him, he cannot be tried by the Chapter, and referring to such a case, he says:—

"I am duly notified that they did try and convict on the charge, and suspended the companion for one year. I am not prepared to say they were wrong. I have seen neither the charge nor the evidence. Separate bodies, under the independent systems of laws and varying obligations, though composed of the same members, should be the custodians of their own good name."

"He adds:—

"But if one must answer for a single misstep in each of the six or more different bodies, in order to maintain his Masonic standing, then indeed may life be made a burden, compared with which captivity were a luxury. This companion has already stood trial, I am informed, in three separate bodies, and if he is pursued still further he will learn that truly the way of the transgressor is hard."

Upon which Comp. DRUMMOND comments as follows:—

"We are only surprised that he did not perceive the logical result of his first statement. The reason why a Mason suspended by his Lodge cannot be in good standing in the Chapter, is not because the Lodge has power to try him for the Chapter, but because, by the fundamental law of Royal Arch Masonry, a Mason who is not in good standing in the Lodge cannot be in good standing in the Chapter. But the converse is not true; and a Royal Arch Mason may be expelled from the Chapter and yet be in good standing as a Master Mason. Each body administers its own laws, with the single limitation that if a Mason loses his good standing in the Lodge, such loss involves the same result in the Chapter. The fact of conviction by the Lodge is decisive; but no *proceedings* of the Lodge are admissible as evidence in the Chapter. Therefore, an acquittal by the Lodge on a charge of a violation of its laws, is of no force in a trial by the Chapter for a violation of its laws."

In commenting on the doings of the General Grand Chapter, he says of the Address of the General Grand High Priest: "It ought to be read thoroughly by every High Priest throughout the jurisdiction."

The following report presented by Comp. WILLIAM H. MAYO was adopted.—

"In reference to that portion of the General Grand High Priest's Address concerning the desirability of organic union with the Grand Chapters of Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia, we beg leave to report that such union is greatly to be desired, and, if accomplished, would prove of incalculable and lasting benefit to Capitular Masonry. We, therefore, recommend that the first four officers of this General Grand Chapter be and are hereby designated and empowered to prepare a letter from this General Grand Chapter to the Grand Chapters of the three States named, urging upon them the importance of becoming constituent members of this General Grand Body, thereby uniting and solidifying the Royal Craft of the United States of America into one common band, owing allegiance to one common head, thereby consummating an event devoutly wished for by the rank and file of Capitular Masons throughout this broad land of ours for many years past."

It is hoped that in the near future the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania and Virginia (West Virginia having "swung into line") will, in deference to the almost unanimous expression of the entire body of Royal Arch Masons of the United States, withdraw their objections and unite with their Fraters in completing this fraternal chain of legitimate Masonic bodies, a consummation devoutly to be wished for, and one undoubtedly of inestimable value to Capitular Masonry. So mote it be.

We close our notice of this very instructive as well as entertaining report. Comp. DRUMMOND is admitted to be chief among the leaders in Capitular Masonry qualified to advise those who would know the law, and knowing it would be governed by its precepts. Long may he be spared to the Fraternity as counselor and adviser and receive the respect and fraternal affection of the Masons of the United States.

The M. E. ALBERT M. PENTY was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. STEPHEN BERRY was elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held at Portland, May 2, 1893.

MARYLAND.

The ninety-fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Maryland was held in the city of Baltimore, November 8th, 1892,—the M. E. WM. H. CLARK, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the R. E. GEO. L. McCAHAN being Grand Secretary. Sixteen Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered an excellent Address, in which he gives the companions, and especially those who are charged with the duties and responsibilities of office, the following wholesome advice regarding their obligation as leaders in the household and teachers of the Masonic art:—

"I am led to bring this to your notice, because I am persuaded that the apathy exhibited (I am pleased to say by the few,) demands the most serious attention of each and every one of our companions who may have been selected to the various

positions in our several Chapters. Companions, bear it ever in mind that while each and every member is or should be concerned for the success of our individual Chapters and the Fraternity in general, yet, to you more particularly, is entrusted the control of the ritual, as well as the government of the Chapter to which you are attached; and the fidelity and zeal manifested by you in your several stations, are to be the index of the success that may be obtained in your Chapter. I hold that the companion that cannot bring to his work such ideas of his duties as will impel him to a conscientious discharge of them, can never reach the goal of perfection to which all lovers of our *Masonic Art* are not only desirous, but anxious to attain; and that the sooner they can persuade themselves of their unfitness for the position they occupy, the better for the Chapter and the Craft in general. It will not do, nor does it relieve one assuming such positions and the responsibilities which are upon him, to say that 'others are indifferent, and therefore I will not put forth any effort.' Every one in his place, discharging with zeal and fidelity his work, must of necessity bring the harvest of great success, but there must be no drones in the hive."

He has had no troublesome questions asked, and under the head of decisions reports that:—

"During the past year the harmony prevailing in our jurisdiction, together with the presumable knowledge of the High Priests of the various Chapters of Masonic law, has left it an easy task indeed in regard to any Masonic queries that might have been submitted for his decision. None have been submitted, consequently the Grand High Priest has been left with his own views of the laws of our Grand Chapter, undisturbed and perfectly serene."

He paid a feeling tribute to the honored dead of the year, and closed his Address with this thankful acknowledgment:—

"To the officers of this Grand Chapter are due my hearty thanks for their co-operation and assistance, and especially to our Grand Secretary, whose long experience and knowledge of Masonic jurisprudence, fit him so pre-eminently as an adviser and guide. To each and all I would say—God bless you. May length of days and pleasurable, as well as abundant success, be yours. And when you and I are summoned to pass the test of the Grand Overseer's Square, may we have our work pronounced good work, true work, square work—such work as shall be meet for the Master's use."

Comp. E. T. SCHULTZ presented the Report on Correspondence. Under California, he says of the Grand High Priest's (Comp. MILTON H. MYRICK) Address:—

"He is opposed to Chapters spending their funds for 'banquets,' but a collation at Chapter meeting, he says, 'is not only acceptable, but is frequently of practical benefit where members travel, as they sometimes do, miles to a meeting. These collations are the occasion for friendly interchange of courtesy and good feeling. You are always more kindly disposed towards a man with whom you have eaten.'"

He regrets the retirement of Comp. CASWELL, and says:—

"We most sincerely trust that Comp. CASWELL has fully recovered his health, and that we may have the pleasure of reading many reports from his able and facile pen."

So say we all, Comp. SCHULTZ.

Under the head of Michigan, in reply to Comp. INNES, he remarks:—

"To attempt to confer the Royal Arch degree upon a brother who is blind, or upon one who has lost a leg or an arm, is to attempt to do an impossibility. The degrees of Masonry may be rehearsed or explained to a brother whose physical infirmities render him unable to comply literally with all the requirements of the degree, but they cannot be conferred upon any one unfortunately so afflicted.

"The Royal Arch degree is simply re-conferred upon the substitute; he can, and in good faith, again comply with all the requirements. It certainly cannot harm a companion to have the Royal Arch degree re-conferred upon him, nor can the use of himself as a substitute lessen the value or solemnity of the ceremonies to the real candidates.

"To say that the use of a substitute in conferring the Royal Arch degree is the 'biggest farce on earth,' and in the next breath say that degree can be conferred on a blind man, is very like 'straining at a gnat and swallowing a camel.'"

In his review of Maine he gives marked attention to the opinions of Comp. DRUMMOND, a well deserved compliment to that veteran Masonic statesman:—

"Of course the Report on Correspondence (110 pp.) is from the pen of the veteran Correspondent, Comp. JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND, and, as usual, it is an able, interesting and valuable paper.

"Like your committee, Comp. DRUMMOND is strongly opposed to the 'relative or dependent membership' doctrine introduced in the shape of a recommendatory resolution into the General Grand Chapter by Comp. BOWEN, of Nebraska, but which several Grand Chapters have adopted in a *mandatory* form. As we regard this resolution as the entering wedge, that will be followed by other legislation restricting the rights of the individual companions, we think we cannot better occupy most of the space allotted for the review of this jurisdiction than by quoting what Comp. DRUMMOND thinks of this proposition."

Under Arkansas Comp. DRUMMOND writes:—

"This Grand Chapter has adopted, as law, Comp. BOWEN's idea of 'co-existent membership,' which prevented the installation of a High Priest-elect, who was subsequently 'declared suspended' (!) by the High Priest, and his action declared to be valid by the Grand High Priest; and the decision was approved by the Grand Chapter. A Royal Arch Mason, in good standing as such, without trial or an *opportunity to be heard by his Chapter*, is 'declared suspended' by the High Priest of his Chapter, because the High Priest believes that he is not a member of a Lodge! It is but recently that the Grand Lodge of Maine was almost denounced because it allowed its Grand Master to *temporarily* suspend a Mason charged with an infamous offense; and yet here is a law allowing a High Priest to suspend a Royal Arch Mason when he (the High Priest) believes such member to be an unaffiliated Master Mason; and it is noteworthy that the denunciations of our Maine law were the most severe in some of the jurisdictions in which the foregoing law prevails. Verily, *camels*, not desirous of being swallowed, must be discreet in selecting the parts of the country which they will visit!"

And under Colorado:—

"We were told by one of the fathers, years ago, that the requirement that candidates for the Chapter must be affiliated Master Masons, was put into our Constitution as a precaution; that, of course, candidates must be Master Masons in good standing, and if he was a member of a Lodge, it would be easy to ascertain if he was in good standing, while if he was not a member, it might be difficult; as we understand it, there was no idea of undertaking to aid the Lodge; and we deem that action of the Chapter *to aid the Lodge* is an interference with the affairs of the Lodge—a thing that never should be done."

We don't understand that the requirement by the law of any jurisdiction that Royal Arch Masons to preserve their standing in their respective Chapters must be "Master Masons in good standing," or must be "members of some Lodge," is in any sense a "restriction of the rights of individual companions, the whole theory of the law in this regard is to sustain and maintain the Lodge in its strength, and that it shall not be weakened by such as use it to reach the height of their ambition and then ignore the ladder by the aid of which they made the journey, and we have no sympathy for the High Priest who aspires to preside over a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons who has neglected his first and most important duty to his Lodge. If he ever assumed that privilege it was not a *right*, and it was Masonically wrong to place such construction upon it.

The M. E. WILLIAM NASH YOUNG was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. GEORGE L. McCANAN was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held in Baltimore, November 14th, 1893.

MASSACHUSETTS.

A Quarterly Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts was held in Boston March 8th, 1892,—the M. E. J. ALBERT BLAKE, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the R. E. SERANUS BOWEN being Grand Secretary. Thirty-two Chapters were represented.

After the usual devotional exercises the Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form, the R. E. SERANUS BOWEN presented a memorial tribute to Past Grand

King WM. PARKMAN, who was also a Past Grand Master of Massachusetts. The memorial was an eloquent tribute to an accomplished Mason, and was adopted by the Grand Chapter, the companions standing.

The committee to whom the subject had been referred, reported an elegant design of a Past Grand High Priest's jewel, which report was approved and the committee authorized to procure seven, one for each Past Grand High Priest.

Several distinguished visitors were introduced, and

"The M. E. Grand High Priest welcomed them to the hospitalities of the companions of Massachusetts, and in graceful phrase expressed the pleasure it gave him to greet the representatives of the General Grand Chapter as well as the companions whom the Grand Chapter of Maryland had always delighted to honor.

"He invited them to seats at his right, and later in the evening requested them to address the companions.

"M. E. Comp. McCANAN expressed his great pleasure at again meeting with the Massachusetts companions, alluding tenderly to the memory of our honored Companion ALFRED F. CHAPMAN, whom he had known and loved and honored for more than twenty years. M. E. Comp. CARTER also responded gracefully to the call, and at the conclusion of the remarks both companions were greeted with prolonged applause."

A second Quarterly Convocation was also held in Boston June 7th, 1892,—the same officials being present and presiding.

The principal business of this Quarterly Convocation was the presentation of the jewels heretofore ordered by the Grand Chapter for presentation to the Past Grand High Priests of the Grand Chapter. The committee having the matter in charge discharged their duty in a creditable manner.

A third Quarterly Convocation was held in Boston September 13th, 1892,—the same officers being present.

The business in hand was the consideration of petitions on sundry matters, and proposed amendments to the Constitution, after disposing of which the Grand Chapter closed in Ample Form.

The ninety-fourth Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in Boston December 13th, 1892,—the M. E. J. ALBERT BLAKE, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. SERANUS BOWEN being Grand Secretary. Sixty-five Chapters were represented.

The M. E. Grand High Priest welcomed the companions, and expressed his pleasure at the interest that was manifested by the large attendance present. He then requested the Grand Lecturer to proceed with the Exemplification of the Work and Lectures of the several Chapter degrees.

The Grand High Priest delivered a very interesting address, speaking eloquently of the absent ones who had answered to the roll call of the Reaper during the year and recapitulating the routine business of the jurisdiction. He closes his address with this acknowledgment:—

"Companions: My thanks are due to you all for the loyalty and the uniform courtesy and consideration you have shown me at all times and upon all occasions. Finally, permit me to remind you that to our hands is intrusted the present weal of our Grand Chapter. Our prosperity to-day is a forcible reminder that those companions, who in years gone by, laboring unceasingly, laid the foundations upon which our Institution rests so proudly. Let us then pledge ourselves anew, that we will, while health and life shall last, earnestly strive to place upon this foundation stones that will pass the inspection of the Grand Overseer's square. Let us remember that our own honor and integrity, as men and Masons, are concerned in an honest and conscientious performance of every duty.

"Let us feel and apply in this connection the sentiment contained in the lines of the great poet:—

'Mine honor and my life are one;
My honor gone, my life is done.'

The reports of the District Deputies of the ten districts are full, and testify to a very thorough supervision of the jurisdiction.

The Report on Correspondence is by Comp. BOWEN, who seems to have the laboring oar in this veteran Grand Chapter.

In his review of Arkansas, Comp. BOWEN takes exception to the good policy of requiring Chapters to send official notice to Councils and Commanderies of all suspensions, expulsions, and re-instatements. He says:—

“This is in line with a number of other Grand Chapters and may be wise legislation, but we doubt it. It seems to us that each Masonic body ought to stand or fall by its own merits. A membership that stays in Lodge, Chapter or Council, only in order that it may keep in some other body, is a membership that we believe is worse than useless. It seems like working at the wrong end of the line. Make your bodies attractive and you will draw a membership that can be retained. The incentive to make them so is lost when you depend on the attractions afforded by some other body to keep your members. This is not theory, but we find that it works well in Massachusetts, where we have no forced membership in any of the bodies of the Rite, and where there is a much smaller percentage of non-affiliated in either Lodge, Chapter or Council than in many of the jurisdictions where the membership seems to be retained ‘by force and power.’

“We believe that a brother ought to retain his affiliations all along the line, and experience shows that this end is best attained by making the bodies sufficiently attractive to make him wish to do so ‘of his own free will and accord.’”

We are not in line with Massachusetts on this question. In California we insist upon Lodge membership, if necessary, at the expense of all others. It is our law. We have felt its good effect, and it is well understood by all Masons that a Royal Arch Mason or a Knight Templar in our jurisdiction must hold Lodge membership somewhere, the only exception being where the membership may be in process of transfer from a former jurisdiction. It is a cardinal point in our system, “That it is the duty of every Master Mason to be a member of some Lodge.”

In reviewing California, he compliments Comp. MYRICK's Address as a stirring one, that might be read with profit by the High Priest of every Chapter.

He mentions the agreeable and pleasant visit of Comp. MYRICK at their preceding Annual Convocation, and adds in reply to our expression of thanks for courtesies extended to him as our Grand High Priest last year:—

“We can assure our California Companions that it will always give us pleasure to greet such representatives of the Royal Craft as we have seen from that jurisdiction, and we hope to see many more of them in the future.”

He writes affectionately of Comp. OSWELL, and hopes to see him again with his armor on, anxious to get at the “other fellow” in support of some of his pet theories.

In reviewing Connecticut, and speaking of Comp. JOHN H. BARLOW's Fifteenth Report on Correspondence, he says:—

“He believes in the use of substitutes. This is in accordance with the custom which has prevailed in Massachusetts ever since Royal Arch Masonry has been known here. He thinks an occasional public installation properly conducted is beneficial in its effects, rather than otherwise. So do we.”

And referring to Comp. INNES of Michigan, favoring a ballot on every degree, he says again:—

“We are opposed to such regulation. We believe the cause of Masonry suffers more by good men being kept out, through what might properly be called pure cussedness, than from most any other cause. There are some in most every locality who, having been admitted to the fraternity by the charity of their fellows, make it their chief duty to keep others out. We are strongly opposed to enlarging their opportunities.”

To all of which we subscribe and respond, “So mote it be.”

Comp. BOWEN indorses the views expressed by Comp. PEARSON of Illinois in his review of New York, and commenting upon Comp. GARDNER's opinions on the same subject as follows:—

"At the same time he disdains the right, and ignores the duty of the committee, to criticize the acts and decisions of other Grand Bodies. Assuming to be only a simple committee, he believes that the acts of a presiding officer, who has the power to adjudicate, and whose acts have been approved by a committee and indorsed by the Grand Body, are not open to criticism. We cannot agree. We are not old, by any means, yet we have lived to see just such decisions and acts repudiated by the same Grand Body that once indorsed them. These results have, too, been brought about largely by the means of fearless, independent, intelligent criticism, by just such committees as he, modestly and ably, leads in the Empire State. There are many other heresies, now in vogue in some jurisdictions, that we hope to have his help in combating.

"If he will look sharp, we think he would find some in the laws and practice of Illinois.

"While the law remains, we yield cheerful obedience, but we shall use all lawful means to change the law, and in this work we welcome aid from any quarter. It is not a 'war of words only.'

"Of course, with such a program, not much room is left for any of us to agree or disagree."

In reviewing Iowa he says Comp. ERCANBRACK opens his Report on Correspondence with this declaration:—

"There is no 'burning question' before the Capitular world. The breasts of Royal Arch Masons are not moved by any swelling tide of emotion. To all intents and purposes they are lying down in green pastures by the side of still waters. Their souls are fully restored. Their confidence in the staff on which they have so long leaned is perfect. And your committee has not been called upon to state anything in this report except the unruffled manner in which the current business in the various jurisdictions is being done, and the exceedingly healthy condition of Capitular affairs throughout the American continent."

Which seems to us to be a candid and truthful statement of the situation as it exists in this year of A. I. 2423.

He also extracts from ERCANBRACK's report of California this choice morsel on CASWELL, speaking of the Address of the Grand High Priest:—

"Like his predecessors, he feels compelled to whoop'er up for the Grand Secretary. If Comp. CASWELL don't get taffy in the next world he will consider Heaven a failure."

In his review of Maine, after commenting on Comp. DRUMMOND's report, which he pronounces "inimitable," Comp. BOWEN expresses this opinion, in which we heartily concur. We do believe though, Comp. BOWEN, that this tendency or general desire to legislate upon any and every subject is growing less. We think the proceedings show that it is rapidly decreasing, to which we respond—so mote it be:—

"It is to be regretted that there is so much tendency to over-legislation, and we think that if some of the Grand Chapters were to be prohibited from making another law for the next ten years it would be better for all concerned. The more nearly we stand by the Masonry of the Fathers the better it will be for the entire Craft."

We regret to leave this most excellent report, and congratulate Massachusetts on having secured a worthy successor to his distinguished predecessors, Chairmen of Committees on Correspondence.

The M. E. J. ALBERT BLAKE was re-elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. SERANUS BOWEN was re-elected Grand Secretary.

MICHIGAN.

The forty-third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Michigan was held at Detroit January 19th, 1892,—the M. E. SAMUEL C. RANDALL, Grand High Priest,

presiding, and the R. E. Wm. P. INNES being Grand Secretary. 120 Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered an interesting address reviewing the business of the year. In regard to decisions he says: "During the year many questions on Masonic law and practice have been asked, and most of them have been answered by referring to decisions of my predecessors and edicts of the Grand Chapter."

He reports the meeting of the General Grand Chapter at Minneapolis in 1891, and the proceedings had in regard to a revision of the Ritual, as follows:—

"It was my pleasure to attend that Convocation, accompanied by Past Grand High Priest HUGH McCURDY, Past Grand High Priest DANIEL STRIKER, and Past Grand High Priest WILLIAM P. INNES.

Your representatives, as well as others in attendance at this Convocation, were received with much cordiality and most unbounded hospitality.

"A revised ritual for the use of subordinate Chapters under the immediate jurisdiction of the General Grand Chapter, was adopted. This ritual, although recommended, is not mandatory, therefore will in no manner conflict with the ritual of Michigan, except it shall be adopted by us.

"The understanding at the General Grand Convocation was that the work of that body should be disseminated among the several Grand Chapters, with the recommendation that it be adopted."

He speaks feelingly and eloquently of the distinguished dead of the year, and predicts that their memories will be kept green in the Masonic household of Michigan.

The following resolution was adopted on motion of the Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence:—

"Resolved, That the Grand Chapter of Michigan welcome the new Grand Chapters of Arizona and Montana, and recognizes them as legally formed, and cordially welcomes them into the sisterhood of Grand Royal Arch Chapters, wishing them God-speed in the new work and responsibilities taken upon them in this their new position."

Among the obituaries reported by the committee and commented upon, are the following distinguished names presented by the Grand High Priest:—

"It is a sad list of bereavements that the Grand High Priest presents to us from sister jurisdictions:

- "Past Grand High Priest of Arkansas, ALBERT PIKE;
- "Past Grand High Priest of Indiana, WILLIAM HACKER;
- "Past Grand High Priest of Massachusetts, A. F. CHAPMAN;
- "Past Grand High Priest of New Hampshire, J. J. PRENTISS;
- "Past Grand High Priest of Delaware, JOHN OTTO;
- "Grand Secretary of Maine, IRA BERRY.

"These all having finished their course in peace, now sleep that sleep that knows no waking until the angel, standing upon the sea and land, shall proclaim that Time shall be no more.

"In the death of Companion ALBERT PIKE, Past Grand High Priest of Arkansas, not only the Royal Craft of Arkansas, but the Royal Craft of the world, has met an irreparable loss. Probably no man in his generation has been a more conspicuous figure, or filled a larger place in Masonry and Masonic life, literature and jurisprudence, than has the distinguished Companion ALBERT PIKE.

"Your committee recommend that a memorial page of our proceedings be set apart for each of the distinguished companions named by the Grand High Priest."

The Report on Correspondence was presented by Comp. Wm. P. INNES, in his elaborate, finished and very able style, reviewing the proceedings of forty-six Grand Chapters. He extracts freely and comments fully, which makes his report comparatively a lengthy one, although full of interest to the Masonic student desirous of information concerning the legislation of the several Grand Chapters. We copy his opening by way of information to the reader of the style of the reports served up by Comp. INNES. The volume contains fine portraits of Past Grand High Priests RANDALL, SPRAGUE and HUDSON.

"The sound of the gavel in the East calls us from refreshment to labor, and we are once more in the line of duty. Our yearly festival has, indeed, been a season of wide communion with the corps reportorial, whose words of wisdom we love to hear, and whose words of commendation for us and our work cheer us in our labor.

"From an examination of the reports before us we find Royal Arch Masonry in a most prosperous condition. Harmony prevails generally throughout the several jurisdictions. Many of the good and true, the past year, have sought the lessons taught in our Chapters, and are joined with us in the grand army of Royal Arch Masons.

"But few questions have arisen within the several jurisdictions that required more than passing notice from the writers on correspondence.

"We purpose, in this report, to give merely an outline of the proceedings, giving the rulings of the several Grand Officers and committees, with but few, in any, comments of our own. Where our law agrees with that of other jurisdictions, we consider it best from our standpoint. Where we differ, discussion would not mend matters, and in fact, would rather tend to disturb the peace and harmony that ought to exist between the Grand Jurisdictions."

In his review of Arkansas he speaks of an application made for a dispensation to confer the Royal Arch degree upon a citizen of Mexico, and says:—

"Application was made to the Grand High Priest for a dispensation to confer the Royal Arch degree upon a citizen of one of the States of the Republic of Mexico, and a member of a Masonic Lodge in that Republic. The request was refused upon the grounds: First, that the applicant was not a citizen nor a resident of their Grand Jurisdiction. Second, that the Grand Lodge of Arkansas had never recognized any of the Grand Lodges of that Republic, as Masons. Third, that the Grand High Priest could not grant a dispensation to a Chapter to confer the Royal Arch degrees upon any one; in all of which the committee concurred in the rulings of the Grand High Priest."

In reviewing Arizona he compliments *M. E. Comp.* MARTIN WILLIAM KALES, Grand High Priest, and *R. E. Comp.* GEORGE JAMES ROSKRUZE, Grand Secretary, for their excellent and enterprising work in the organization of the Grand Chapter of Arizona, and welcomes to the "Guild," *Comp.* GOLDWATER, in the following affectionate language:—

"We especially welcome to the ranks of the corps reportorial our esteemed companion, MORRIS GOLDWATER. With him at the helm the Reports on Correspondence will at once take rank among the foremost. MORRIS is able and willing, and the interests of Arizona will be well taken care of by him."

Reviewing California, he compliments *Comp.* Grand High Priest FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, concurs in his decisions, and copies his eloquent tribute to the memories of *Comps.* ALEX. G. ABELL and ADOLPHUS HOLLUB, Past Grand High Priests. He says of the Report on Correspondence:—

"The Report on Correspondence is from the pen of *Comp.* THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL, and we regret that, owing to a serious accident, *Comp.* CASWELL was unable to review but twenty-four of the forty-three States whose transactions come into his hands. Of the nineteen States unreviewed, he says that the crippled condition of his right hand, which he was unable to use for any purpose for five weeks previous to the present Convocation, is the excuse for their not appearing in the review.

"Michigan for 1891 is one of the unreviewed States, but we forgive CASWELL, and more than that, we pity him for his great misfortune, and hope ere this he has fully recovered the use of his hand. We should be sorry to impose any duty on him that would cause him one moment's pain."

He says this of our practice of requiring the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer to furnish bonds through some association organized for that purpose, the Grand Chapter paying the expense thereof:—

"We are an advocate ourself, personally, of that kind of bond. We believe that is the true and only way that any Grand or subordinate officer ought to be bonded. The expense is but little on the Grand Body, and most certainly it is better, in case of accident, that the loss should fall on those who are able to make their money out of such things than upon the head of a brother or companion who, for love's sake, has embarrassed himself and family perhaps forever."

He copies OSWELL's definition of dimit or certificate of withdrawal—of its being in no sense of the word a recommendatory certificate, but a certificate of withdrawal to which any companion is entitled to whose dues are paid, without asking the consent of the Chapter or any member of it—and says:—

"In which we fully agree with him. We believe it is the duty of every Chapter or every Lodge to release from membership a brother or companion, whether the Chapter or Lodge desire it or not. No brother or companion ought to be compelled to remain in fellowship with a Lodge or Chapter without he desires to. The fact that he is clear from the books ought to entitle him to a dimit the moment it is asked for."

In reviewing Kansas Comp. INNES has this to say of Comp. JOHN H. BROWN, Chairman of Correspondence:—

"The Report on Correspondence is, of course, submitted by Comp. JOHN H. BROWN, whose body we pray may march through Kansas these many, many years. JOHN is a good writer, and everything he says in his report is worthy of careful consideration."

"Forty-three sister Grand Jurisdictions, including the General Grand Chapter, passed in review before Major General JOHN, and of our own he has a good word to say. Michigan for 1890 has its place. JOHN never forgets us. No, never!"

And still writing of Comp. BROWN, of Kansas, he continues:—

"Under Wisconsin, he refers to the fact that Comp. SWAIN reiterates his opinion that any Masonic officer may resign, and says that he has expressed a similar opinion heretofore, and has found no reason to induce a change."

"We think both Comp. SWAIN and Comp. BROWN overlook the fact that when an officer of a Chapter is installed, he is installed for the term for which he is elected; and, more than that, until his successor is duly elected and qualified. We do not think that elective officers ought to be allowed to resign except for removal from jurisdiction, or, as we used to say in the army, 'for the good of the service.'"

And we of California join hands with SWAIN and BROWN. Our idea is that vacancies in office may occur from death, resignation or removal from the jurisdiction, and we believe that an officer of a Chapter, in spite of the form of his installation ceremonies, has just as much right to resign as he has to die or go away.

Under North Carolina, Comp. INNES writes:—

"Discussing the question of Cryptic Masonry in Iowa, and the action taken by that Grand Chapter, Comp. SOUTHWATE says:—

"We merged in North Carolina some years ago, and then emerged three years ago, and, as a consequence, there has not been a meeting of a Council of Royal and Select Masters in the State for two years, so far as we can learn. The one to which we belong has held no meeting for ten years, and, doubtless, as a joke, our Grand Secretary sent blanks for returns to the Grand Council."

"Alas! Poor HIZAM. When we are all dead, we will bury it there; but for the life of us we cannot see that there need be very much of a funeral even then."

The M. E. JOHN F. BARROWS was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. WM. P. INNES was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held in the city of Detroit January 17, 1893.

MINNESOTA.

The M. E. Grand Chapter of Minnesota held its thirty-first Annual Convocation at St. Paul, October 11, 1892, the M. E. JAMES M. MARTIN, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. THOMAS MONTGOMERY being Grand Secretary. Forty-six Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address, greeting the companions of the Grand Chapter as the accredited representatives of more than four thousand Royal Arch Masons. He thinks the world is better that Masonry lives, and the State of Minnesota improved by the fact that over four thousand of her citizens are Royal Arch Masons, and says:—

"If we, as individual members of this sublime institution, have done our duty; if we have carried in our hearts, exemplified in our lives, and shown by our deeds that love for mankind, that fidelity to every trust, that reverence for our Divine Creator, that the ceremonies of our Chapters are intended to inspire, then has Capitular Masonry not been a failure.

"Has this been the history of our individual lives in the year that is past? Is this the record that we as Minnesota Royal Arch Masons bring to this convocation?

"Since we last met in Grand Convocation a year has rolled into eternity, bearing its indelible, unchangeable record. To some of us, no doubt, it has seemed that the year has quickly sped. To others as if it moved with laden feet. To most of us, no doubt, the year has been one fraught with more joy than sadness. Over the lives of others of you have come thick, dark clouds of sorrow. Loved and endeared ones have slipped from your eager grasp and glided out, out over the river and away into the mist and darkness out of your sight forever. Forever? Nay, not forever. Thanks to our faith in the merits of the 'Lion of the Tribe of Judah,' we see the sprig of acacia, emblem of immortal life, growing at the head of the grave. There is a bright bow in the clouds. There is a glorious second temple beyond the vaulted tomb. The true Mason ever 'sees'

'The stars shine through his cypress trees.'"

He says Death has entered more than one of our Chapters, and taken from our midst many loved companions. I would that I could fitly name them all in tender memory now. Their names will be inscribed upon the memorial roll that will form a part of the printed proceedings of this Convocation.

He gives affectionate notice and pays fraternal tribute to the distinguished dead of sister jurisdictions, and tenders the heartfelt sympathy of Minnesota to all those who mourn the loss of honored companions.

He speaks joyfully of the decision of West Virginia to take place with the great majority of Grand Chapters. He says:—

"It gives me great joy to be able to report to you that the Grand Chapter of West Virginia, having accepted the constitution and regulations of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, was on the ninth day of June last, by edict of the General Grand High Priest, admitted as a constituent of the General Grand Chapter.

"Thrice welcome, West Virginia. We will greet her as a sovereign princess as she takes her place in our royal family.

"This happy consummation of an event so long desired and sought for fills our hearts with gladness and strengthens our hope that in the very near future we will be afforded the pleasure of extending hearty greetings, not only to Virginia, but to Pennsylvania, my own native State. These are the only Grand Chapters now remaining outside the General Grand Chapter. Rhode Island and Texas are still ours."

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts for the year.....	\$3,237 50
On hand at last report.....	5,835 83

Total.....	\$9,073 33
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Disbursements for the year.....	\$3,257 33
Balance in Treasury.....	5,816 00

Total.....	\$9,073 33
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A special committee prepared a beautiful tribute in memory of their deceased Grand Chaplain, Comp. REUBEN WELLS, which is published with the proceedings. It is an affectionate memorial testimonial to the virtues of a good man. Born in 1802 he had apportioned to him more than the usual number of years allotted to man, and by the testimony of his brethren he had so lived his ninety years as to entitle him to the love and affectionate regards of all who knew him—good Mason, Christian gentleman, his example to his brethren is his best eulogy.

Fine portraits of the M. E. Grand High Priest and the R. E. Grand Secretary ornament this volume of proceedings.

Comp. MONTGOMERY presents the Report on Correspondence as Chairman of that Committee.

He notices favorably the address of Comp. MYRICK, and approves his opinions in regard to exemplification of work at the Annual Convocation. He also compares our expenses with those of Minnesota—hints a trifle on our extravagance and compliments our generosity in appropriating for the Widows' and Orphans' Home the sum of five thousand dollars.

Under the head of Pennsylvania (Comp. STOCKTON BATES, reporter,) we find some most interesting comments. Comp. MONTGOMERY says:—

"Last year we criticised the committee's definition of what constitutes a landmark, and he thus gracefully yields the point:

"He quotes from the Report on Correspondence and picks us up on 'landmarks.' No, Companion MONTGOMERY, a 'landmark' cannot be changed. You are right about that, and a 'custom' is not a 'landmark.' We have the memory of men on record, when, not so very long ago, here in Pennsylvania, the Grand Master of Symbolic Masonry was by virtue of his office the Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter.

"In those days the election of a Grand High Priest did not take place at all.

"Under New Hampshire, he disagrees with Comp. WAIT, and we incline to his views and those of Comp. DRUMMOND on the relation of Chapters to Grand Chapters. He says:—

"As Chapters cannot create themselves and never have existed without a creator, and as all created things are subordinate to the power creating them, we must agree with Comp. CRAWFORD, that subordinate, constituent, or whatever term you apply to them, the several Chapters of Royal Arch Masons are the creatures of the Grand Chapter.

"And thus continues:—

"If there is a 'landmark' in Masonry, it is authority; not delegated or surrendered authority, but absolute dependence upon and subordination to the fiat.

"The legend of the symbolic degrees surely teaches this principle. Our three ancient Grand Masters evolved the institution from the depths of their ineffable wisdom.

"They created *de novo*. Apprentices and Fellow Craftsmen vied with each other in winning the commendation of the Master. They did not create him, but he them.

"Whoever enters the portals of Freemasonry voluntarily places upon his brow the motto of the Black Prince, 'Ich Dien.'

"Whatever of constitutional law or regulation exists, is in modification of the original powers of authority."

We concur in the opinion of Comp. STOCKTON BATES in the case of "landmark vs. Custom;" his definition of landmark is clear cut and to the point, as is his pithy reasoning in "Who created us; was it mother, or did we create her?" This is it, Comp. BATES: "Whatever of constitutional law or regulation exists, is in modification of the original powers of authority;" that, we think, answers the question.

Under Texas, in reply to Comp. KIDD's question of "Will some one tell us the use of the General Grands?"

Comp. MONTGOMERY responds, and pertinently, too:—

"Will some one tell us the use of the United States of America? *E pluribus unum!* In union there is strength.

"A sufficient answer to his query, perhaps, is, that these organizations were the result of a long-felt want and are loyally supported as the bond of union if not the supreme governing head of the vast majority of the State Grand Chapters, Councils and Commanderies and their members. One other and important reason we will assign. It brings together from all portions of our common country the leading men of the several Orders and by thus commingling, serves to remove prejudice, to enlarge and broaden their views, as well as to form friendships that are lifelong. Very few there are, we think, but admit their usefulness."

Comp. MONTGOMERY, we hope to meet you, in the flesh, some day.

The M. E. ISAAC P. DUFFEE was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. THOS. MONTGOMERY was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Convocation will be held at St. Paul October 10th, 1893.

MISSISSIPPI.

The forty-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Mississippi was held at Vicksburg, February 10, 1892,—the *M. E.* Comp. P. M. SAVERY, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the *R. E.* J. L. POWER being Grand Secretary. Forty Chapters were represented.

The *M. E.* Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address. He notes with affectionate remembrance the deaths of the distinguished triune, Comps. ALBERT PIKE, ALF. F. CHAPMAN and IRA BERRY, and says of them :—

“Years ago their several statues were placed conspicuous in niches of the Temple of Masonry. The grand truths they taught, and the blessed precepts they practiced, will ever shine with increasing lustre as the years go by; so, also, will the history of their several Masonic lives be pictured on the canvas of the past and blended with the tints of Mystic Truth, pass often in review, like a grand panorama which attracts the eye, feasts the soul and touches the mind as with an angelic wand. Grand chieftains of the Mystic Fraternity, we miss them—we mourn them—yet can, in Truth and Hope and Trust, say, ‘It is well with them to-day.’”

Under the head of “Apathy in Capitular Masonry,” there is so much food for thought by Royal Arch Masons that we reproduce it here :—

“What is the cause of apathy in Capitular Masonry in Mississippi? Why this neglect of the duties of a R. A. Mason? To my mind there is but one answer: Ignorance of the adopted ritual and non-payment of annual dues. We have a ritual in Mississippi second to none in the world in its grand revelations of the sublime teachings of Royal Arch Masonry. Its beneficent lessons, around which cluster the legends and symbols of the Capitular rite, are safely locked in a few faithful breasts, and from them alone can the ritual in its simplicity and purity be obtained. There are other so-called rituals used by some of the Chapters in this Grand Jurisdiction—rituals once perhaps correct in the main, but by long seclusion in the mind of Companions have become unintelligible to the genuine ritualists, and are to him only a lingo or jargon. Strange that in the lost work all the fun and frolic is remembered, and the great teachings of the Capitular rite are eliminated. It is natural for man to attempt to supply by his own ingenuity knowledge lost, and so, without going to the Mason’s Great Light, and learning from its revealed historic pages the truth as it was—as it is and ever will be—they cast about for something comic or novel that will attract attention and make the candidate for a time the subject of ridicule. Companions, do not pause to think—

‘Things teach with double force; through
The animal eye, and through the mind;
And the eye catcheth in an instant, what
The ear shall not learn in one hour.’

“The Rules and Regulations of the Grand Chapter not only recommend, but require the use of robes and the paraphernalia suitable to the Chapter when conferring the degrees, yet I am creditably informed that a large majority of the Chapters are not in possession of robes, and the furniture used is not calculated to deeply impress the mind of the candidate with the mysteries of the degree. Until the Adopted Work is in possession of the several Chapters, and the requisite properties are used in conferring degrees, Capitular Masonry will never prosper in Mississippi. The question of ability to purchase and keep in order the requisite paraphernalia will be determined by the finances of the Chapter, and if a considerable number of the members neglect to pay the annual dues they solemnly promised to do when they became Royal Arch Masons, the burden will fall hard on those who are faithful; in such cases it would be far better for non-paying members to dimitt and stay a while outside the courts of the tabernacle; and if the number of the faithful should thus be reduced to a bare quorum or less, the charter of such a Chapter should be surrendered and the faithful affiliate where the sacred fire ever burns brightly on the altar, and the grand truths of the Capitular rite are promulgated by expert Most Excellent Masters.

“Elisha poured water on the hands of Elijah and was heir to his mantle when he passed from earth to Heaven. Paul sat up at the feet of Gamaliel and learned the great lessons of wisdom that fitted him thereafter to battle successfully with the most gifted of the Hebrew and Grecian scholars and philosophers. Why not, then, in this our day we be content to study and become proficient in whatever we undertake in life? Companions, the apathy resting on Royal Arch Masons must be shaken off. Each companion must go to work in the quarries and work faithfully.

A companion Royal Arch Mason within the past year has said to me: 'I've been a Royal Arch Mason twenty-five years, and it has never done me any good.' I asked, 'Did you ever visit any Chapter but the one of which you are a member?' 'Oh, no,' he replied, 'I had no one to vouch for me.' 'Cannot you pass an examination as to proficiency?' 'No, I never learned anything about the degrees—merely passed through the ceremony.' 'Does not the High Priest of the Chapter teach the work and lectures orally?' 'Not at all. Don't think he is very bright on them himself.' No wonder seed does not grow in such stony soil."

The M. E. Grand High Priest, as Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, presented a report in which California is courteously noticed, and CASWELL stirred up as follows:—

"Grand Reporter CASWELL furnished the feast of Foreign Correspondence, drawing supplies from twenty-five different Grand Jurisdictions, and held in reserve proceedings of nineteen others. Ye Reporter was posing for the time as 'Knight of the crippled hand,' possibly on account of overwork; nevertheless, the report submitted was, as usual, first-class, and Mississippi for 1890 was courteously noticed."

In his Review of Massachusetts, we find the following notice:—

NINETY-THIRD ANNUAL, DECEMBER 8, 1891.

"Grand officers all present. M. E. MILTON HILLS MYRIOK, Grand High Priest of California, received with honors and fraternal welcome.

"Work exemplified in the several degrees. Sixty-eight of the seventy-two Chapters were represented at this Grand Convocation, and the instruction thus given was, no doubt, of great advantage to the several Chapters."

In his review of Missouri he copies from Comp. MAYO's Report of 1891 a most interesting story of his travels among the tribes, with his conclusions formed from the experience of those visitations. It is too good to leave, and Californians shall have it.

Comp. W. H. MAYO delivered the Report on Foreign Correspondence. Of this work we will let him tell—merely asserting that his statement is true—for we have tried it personally:—

"We have traveled all over the United States, visited, culled from the proceedings matters of general interest and instructions from the forty-one Grand Jurisdictions owing allegiance to the General Grand Chapter, gave a short synopsis of the interesting and important legislation of that General Grand Body at its meeting in Atlanta, Ga. We have also reviewed and commented upon the proceedings of the only three Grand Jurisdictions in the United States that are so-called *Independent*, who do not acknowledge allegiance to the General Grand Chapter, but who should beyond the shadow of a doubt affiliate with and become a part of that General Grand Body at their earliest opportunity, or give some plausible reason if they can for their very great inconsistency.

"We have had a very pleasant visit with our Canadian Companions, with their three Grand Jurisdictions with their 105 Subordinate Chapters and 4,793 members. We have carefully read, studied and digested over 6,500 pages of printed matter, reviewed forty-eight Capitular Grand Bodies, and endeavored to select the best gems from these mines of information, or pluck the best and rarest flowers from the broad fields of thought, and commented considerably as we passed along, condensing the whole into about 110 pages for the edification, information and instruction of our readers. These pages are prepared at quite a cost of time and labor on our part and funds of our Grand Chapter, and are printed and sent out to be read and studied by our officers and members, the better to educate and prepare them to come up annually and legislate for the best interests of the Royal Craft in Missouri.

"This is our twelfth, our largest, most comprehensive and best report; we want our companions, whose servant we are, to read, study and benefit by our labors for them.

"The Royal Craft, like the rest of mankind the world over, is improving and getting better year by year; we are becoming better acquainted with each other, owing to rapid and cheap transit, the different sections and States are losing their sectionalisms, self-conceit, arrogance and pride, as they visit around, become broader-minded, more liberal and better educated, and as we run across States and

continents we find in rubbing up against men whom we had never seen or heard of before that they, too, have ideas of their own, and know how to express them legally, logically, Masonically and convincingly. The grand old commonwealths of Maine, Massachusetts and other Grand Jurisdictions have learned that it will not do to make Masons and send them out into the world as orphans, or, worse still, without father or mother, home or place to lay their weary heads. Also that when a Mason, by negligence, carelessness, willfulness, or sheer cussedness, allows himself to be suspended for non-payment of dues in his Lodge, that deprives him of all Masonic rights and benefits, and *ipso facto* suspends him in all other Masonic bodies, and this penalty rests upon him until at least he pays his delinquency."

Comp. SAVERY reproduces Comp. SWAIN's (Chairman of Correspondence for Wisconsin) remarks concerning the Council degrees, and gives brief comment on the same as follows, which for its general interest to Royal Arch Masons we copy here:—

"Comp. W. C. SWAIN presented the F. C. report, Mississippi for 1890 being one of the privileged number to be present at the review. We had marked several extracts of ye Reporter's sayings intending to transplant to our report, but when we found his comments on one of our pets, the 'Council degrees,' we reject the rest for want of space, and give his comments under Indiana on degrees of R. and S. Masters. Like him, we were a member of the Cryptic Convocation in 1874, at New Orleans, and in 1873 in New York. So it seems we have met in the flesh and in the S. V.; but here follows his comments:—

"We are not talking of the ritual itself, the beauty of which we admit, but of their history. In this jurisdiction, the writer was one of others who labored hard for years before the 'Mississippi plan' was ever thought of, to awaken an interest in the rite, without success. We were a member of the Council Convention in 1872, and again in 1874, and were active in promulgating the ritual as adopted. Wisconsin only partially adopted the 'Mississippi plan,' and we are willing to admit that it was a failure. But so far as we did go, our action awakened more of interest than had ever before been exhibited, and some of that interest still remains. So that we repudiate the claim that 'if as much interest had been shown, and as much time spent, in endeavors to promote the welfare of existing organizations,' Cryptic Masonry would have been in full tide of prosperity to-day. For proof of this, look at the rite in jurisdictions which never had the 'merger.' While the Council is not a live body in this State, its dry bones will do as much rattling as we find in Michigan, Indiana, Vermont, etc., etc., to say nothing of Alabama or Georgia, or the home of the present presiding officer of the General Grand Council. We ask Companion Long to name a single State where it is really and truly what he can call an active, energetic, aggressive body. We have read the proceedings attentively, and we have yet to hear of such. While admitting, as we said above, the beauty of the ritual, we think it better to drop it entirely, and spend the energy devoted to trying to keep it alive in other directions."

"We are not prepossessed in favor of any *General Grand Body*, but we contend for a Grand Council in every Grand Jurisdiction where degrees are conferred, believing that is the only way to secure the perpetuity of the degrees in their grandeur and beauty. The degrees should be conferred in full—not *communicated*—the beauty is otherwise lost and the grandeur unnoticed."

The *M. E.* P. M. SAVERY was re-elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* J. L. POWELL was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held at Natchez the second Tuesday in February, 1893.

MISSOURI.

The *M. E.* Grand Chapter of Missouri held its forty-fifth Annual Convocation in the City of St. Louis, April 28, 1892,—the *M. E.* IRA V. McMILLAN, Grand High Priest, presiding, and *R. E.* WM. H. MAYO being Grand Secretary. Ninety-five Chapters were represented.

The *M. E.* Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address, first delivering a fraternal tribute to the companions and associates who had been called hence during the year, and whose vacant chairs spoke eloquently of former useful occupants, and then proceeding with the regular business of the Grand Chapter. His interesting address concludes with the following:—

"And now, my companions, after a continuous service of nine years in the Grand Chapter, and having rendered you an account of the business transacted since you were last assembled as a Grand Chapter, I place the several matters in your hands for such disposition as you may deem just and proper, not doubting but what has been well done you will approve, and what has been done amiss or omitted you will properly correct. And in surrendering to you the emblem of authority intrusted to my care one year ago, permit me to say that, on assuming it, my prayer was that I might worthily perform the duties then imposed, and at the close of my official term be able to render a satisfactory account of duty faithfully performed. It will ever be a bright page in my history that I can turn to, as having been thought worthy of this distinction; and for this honor I shall ever have the kindest regards for the companions of this Grand Chapter, and to it and each companion thereof say, 'May peace ever be within thy walls and prosperity within thy palaces,' and for my successor bespeak the same kindly consideration and courtesy that has ever been extended to me."

The Home established in this jurisdiction seems, by the report of a Special Committee devoted to the consideration of its permanent foundation, to be on the road to successful establishment, and is a monument to the fraternal enterprise of the Masons of Missouri.

SPECIAL REPORT ON "HOME."

The Committee reported as follows, which was adopted unanimously by a rising vote:—

"Your special committee, to whom was referred that portion of the address of the M. E. Grand High Priest, relating to the Masonic Home of Missouri, have taken the same under consideration and would respectfully report:—

"In joyful recognition of the fact that the Grand Lodge of the State of Missouri having by emphatic and determined action declared its intention to sustain and support the Masonic Home of Missouri, as a practical demonstration of the widely acclaimed benevolence of Freemasonry, we, as earnest adherents of the great foundation, upon which we as Royal Arch Masons rest, express herein our individual and united commendation of such purpose.

"The necessity for us, as Royal Arch Masons, sharing directly in this grand exemplification of benevolent design, at the present moment having been thus happily averted, we can still add material to its structure, bearing upon its face the mark of the Royal Craft, and may assume toward the Grand Lodge of Missouri the historic relation of the Hiram to the wise King of Israel.

"To this end, we recommend that the sum of five hundred dollars be appropriated toward the erection of the proposed hospital and sanitarium for which the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar has so generously contributed at its late session."

Comp. Wm. H. MAYO presented the Report on Correspondence. He has a kindly notice for California, although he criticises Comp. DAY's decision as to the right of a Chapter to receive the petition of a clergyman without fees. He says:—

"There is no doubt that a Chapter may dispose of its funds for any good cause or to any worthy object. But if there is an agreement in advance that the money shall be refunded to the petitioner, then neither the payment by him, or the reception of the amount by the Chapter is *bona fide*, and both are in fact mere pretences. It looks very much like 'whipping the old boy around the stump.'"

He speaks affectionately of Comp. CASWELL, regrets his disability, and calls attention to his words of truth in a Review of Oregon:—

"We know many brethren connected with the Fraternity who would never pay a nickel to its charities if they could avoid it; are always discussing the oppressiveness of dues, yet never fail to take advantage of every privilege the Fraternity confers upon them. They are first at the banquet table, always prominent in public processions, but are never seen at the bedside of the sick; their names never appear upon subscriptions for the needy and distressed, and these are invariably the first to cry out against the oppressiveness of dues. We often hear our good brethren from the East denounce what they please to call the 'abominable law of California,' relative to the suspension for non-payment of dues; yet no one ever knew a brother in California to be suspended for non-payment of dues who was unable to pay them

and made the fact known; no jurisdiction in the wide world has more sympathy for the really needy, and the world knows that California is never backward in acts of charity; but for the non-affiliate cusses, who never miss a meal or pay a cent, we have no earthly use."

In citing the decision of the Grand High Priest of Massachusetts, denying the Chapter degrees to a Master Mason, because of his blindness, Comp. WATT, Chairman of Correspondence for New Hampshire, gives his own opinion as follows:—

"We cited this decision from Massachusetts without comment in our report of last year, with the statement of the Grand High Priest making it that a similar decision had been made by General Grand High Priest E. H. ENGLISH, and indorsed by the General Grand Chapter. We were not then satisfied with the decision, for we thought it based upon narrow and entirely inadequate views of the rule of physical disqualification, and of the reason of it. We have many times heretofore declared the opinion that physical disability incurred *after* initiation should not debar from advancement. Companion Singleton has here struck to the bottom of the matter and clearly brought to view the spirit of the Masonic degrees which ought to lead to a different conclusion. We give it our unqualified indorsement, as we do not see how any Masonic student can do otherwise."

Upon the reading of which Comp. MAYO is impelled to remark:—

"Truly the world moves. Thirty years ago such a declaration as the above would have sounded strange in the ears of Royal Arch Masons, yet it is to-day in accordance with the opinion of many distinguished craftsmen.

"He is of the opinion that 'on expulsion from the rights and privileges of Masonry by a Lodge, if the Chapter takes no action, restoration by the Lodge should not restore to Chapter rights.' But he gracefully admits that he is in the minority."

In reviewing New York, he says of the practice in that jurisdiction:—

"It seems, from the decisions of the Grand High Priest, that in this Grand Jurisdiction, a companion cannot be installed, or serve as High Priest until he has been duly anointed, consecrated and solemnly set apart to the order of High Priesthood. On one occasion he organized a Grand Council of Anointed High Priests, and conferred the Order on twenty-two companions, and during the meeting of the Grand Chapter the Order was conferred on fifty-four companions. And all this was done between 3 o'clock P. M. and 8 o'clock P. M."

Quick work, certainly; but then we suppose the companions are young and active in New York.

In reviewing North Carolina, Comp. MAYO says:—

"The Grand Chapter resolved that no companion shall be expelled or suspended for non-payment of dues, but only excluded from membership."

Upon which Comp. MAYO remarks in his usual pointed manner:—

"We don't particularly object, only we hold that one who has rendered himself unworthy to hold membership in a particular Chapter, is unworthy to visit and hold Masonic communion with any other Chapter. If 'exclusion from membership' means that he may visit Masonic bodies, have (as a right) Masonic relief, receive Masonic burial, in fact, be entitled to all the rights and privileges of Masonry *except* paying dues, then we enter our mild protest. In Missouri a Mason is either in good standing or—he isn't."

"The Report on Correspondence is by Comp. JAMES SOUTHWATE. He has his opinions, and is not afraid to give his reasons for the faith that is in him. Fortunately, he is nearly always right, but when he is wrong, he is *desperately* wrong. If Comps. CASWELL, DRUMMOND and others cannot convince him of his errors, it is useless for us to try."

In his review of Texas, Comp. MAYO says:—

"Under California, Comp. KIDD, Chairman of Correspondence, quotes a decision as follows:—

"*Question.* A member of a Chapter is sick. He dimitted from his Lodge, and has not contributed to any Lodge for two years. Is he in standing in the Chapter? Can he claim assistance from the Chapter, and in case of his death can the Chapter bury him?

"*Answer.* Having dimitted from his Lodge, and more than six months thereafter having elapsed without any attempt to affiliate with another, he is not a Master Mason in good standing in this jurisdiction, and while so remaining he is debarred from all the rights and privileges of Royal Arch Masonry."

And then makes this comment :—

"To the everlasting shame of California the answer is in accordance with her edicts."

We guess so, Comp. KIDD; but don't believe the shame will be everlasting, for we remember very well when thirty years ago California incorporated into its Constitution this idea of "suspension for non-payment of dues," almost the entire Masonic world raised its hands in holy horror. But, nevertheless, it was good Masonry, and was in accordance with obedience to law and an honest construction of the Master Mason's obligation. And we believe that what's honest is right, and what's honest and right ought to be good Masonic doctrine. We assure you, Comp. KIDD, the "everlasting shame" you would load us with don't hurt much.

In the Wisconsin Report, Comp. WM. C. SWAIN says :—

"We agree with the general proposition, that the Mason who can pay, and won't pay, shall be made to pay or thrown overboard; but we have known instances where companions who were unable to pay, were suspended, not because their Chapter was unusually uncharitable, but because they did not believe the companion's statement."

Upon which Comp. MAYO remarks :—

"Well, we have known a Mason to be expelled because the Lodge did not believe his statement, and we have heard of a man being hung because the jury did not believe him. The case where a Mason who is unable to pay would be suspended must be so *exceedingly rare* that it may well be left out of account."

Comp. MAYO concludes his interesting review by summing up the evidence in the "matter of the principal questions in dispute" in the several Grand Chapters, and says it will be seen at a glance that "none of these questions can lead to any grave or serious complications." But his concluding remarks are so pertinent that we copy them, and with that dismiss this most excellent report :—

"We consider 'life membership' as a dangerous experiment, unless surrounded by suitable safeguards that will prevent the funds of a Chapter being reduced below a living standard. If granted at all, it should only be for long continued membership or meritorious services. In no case should it be sold for a pecuniary consideration."

"As to 'Cerneauism,' we have not had occasion to say much. It has not obtruded itself to any extent in Missouri; an abortive attempt was made to get up a branch of the organization, and a few individual Masons bought the degrees *very cheap* as they thought, but we know not how many, as after finding that they had been badly sold, they do not go around boasting of it."

"The subject of the 'recording of Marks' has attracted some attention. Some Grand Chapters have always been right on this subject, and others are moving in the right direction. A Mark Master should be required to record his Mark, to show that he is loyal to the duties he has already assumed, before other and higher ones are laid upon him."

"'Landmarks?' Excuse us, if you please. When such companions as PIKE, MACKAY and DRUMMOND have wrestled with this subject and have come to such unsatisfactory and contradictory conclusions, we think the rest of us had better not tackle it just yet."

"On the other subjects referred to above, we think we have plainly stated or clearly intimated our own opinions in the preceding pages."

"In true Masonic spirit, and with a grateful heart, we are much pleased with the general condition of the Royal Craft, not only at home but abroad, and with the sincere desire that this condition may continue to improve, we are hopeful for the future."

The M. E. JOHN R. PARSON was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. WM. H. MAYO was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held at St. Louis, April 27, 1893.

MONTANA.

The Grand Chapter of Montana held its second Annual Convocation in the City of Butte, October 12, 1891,—the *M. E.* RICHARD O. HICKMAN, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the *R. E.* CORNELIUS HEDGES being Grand Secretary. Ten Chapters were represented.

The proceedings are embellished by two handsome portraits of two very handsome men—Past Grand High Priests R. O. HICKMAN and JOSEPH A. HYDE.

The Grand High Priest delivered a brief but practical address, in which he urged the companions of Montana to zealous interest in building their Royal Arch Temple, and predicting success in their efforts.

The brief session was occupied in perfecting the details of their organization, formulating By-Laws and Regulations.

The *M. E.* JOSEPH A. HYDE was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* CORNELIUS HEDGES was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The third Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held in the City of Deer Lodge, September 19, 1892. Ten Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered an interesting address, in which he says:—

“The condition of Royal Arch Masonry in Montana is vitally strong and fairly prosperous. Our Grand Chapter was not formed until we had ten firmly established and strong Chapters, and so, without incurring a debt or imposing burdensome taxation, we have reached a point where, after providing for our reasonable wants and a fair compensation for our Grand Secretary, who has thus far received nothing for his services, we can still say that we have money in our treasury.

“We believe we can truthfully say that every one of our Chapters is in good working shape; that the officers are well posted in the ritual, men of sense, substance and influence, and that they are gathering in good material for the overseers to fashion—just such work as is wanted for the Temple.”

The financial reports show a flattering condition of the moneyed interests of the new Grand Chapter, and the spirit manifested is a general desire to deserve success.

The *M. E.* A. H. BASSER was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* CORNELIUS HEDGES was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The following is published by the Grand Secretary as explanatory:—

“Circumstances over which the Sheriff had more control than we did, interposed to delay the issue of these proceedings more than forty days. The attachment of the *Journal* office, in this city, where our printing was being done, on the morning after election, suspended all work, dashing all the prospects of greeting our companions with the earliest issues.

“For this reason, too, we have refrained from attempting any general review of correspondence, though we have had ample time, since our work has been in the clutches of the law.

“We have read with interest the proceedings of many Grand Chapters and the reviews of correspondents, and find very few serious and important matters of controversy. The sphere of the reviewer is much more circumscribed by the fact that there is a General Grand Chapter which restrains and corrects the divergencies that have such ample field for play in the Grand Lodge relations.

“We have preferred at the outset to give our companions at home the full benefit of the law in all its departments, and after that we will consider its interpretation and practical application.”

The fourth Annual Convocation will be held at Helena on Tuesday preceding the second Wednesday in October, 1893.

NEBRASKA.

The *M. E.* Grand Chapter of Nebraska held its twenty-sixth Annual Convocation at Geneva, Nebraska, December 14, 1892,—the *M. E.* JOHN B. DRISMORE, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the *R. E.* WILLIAM R. BOWEN being Grand Secretary. There were present five Past Grand High Priests and the Representatives of fifty-one chartered Chapters.

These proceedings come to us clothed in elegant raiment of the printer's best stock and his highest type of workmanship, prefaced and sandwiched with portraits of men handsome enough to adorn older States than Nebraska—the entire “make-up” constituting a volume most creditable to the executive officer responsible for its creation.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address, returning thanks to the great “I Am” for protection in the past and the blessings of great material prosperity.

He gave a full report of his official acts, dwelling with feeling comment on the unusual number of distinguished companions who had been summoned by death in the various sister jurisdictions during the year, and paying eloquent and fraternal tributes to their memories.

The Grand High Priest is evidently a painstaking and efficient officer, supervising the business interests of the subordinate Chapters, and generally endeavoring to make crooked things straight and also to prevent their getting crooked. He closes his Address as follows:—

“In conclusion, I wish to say that peace and harmony prevail throughout the entire Masonic world, and especially so in this jurisdiction. I desire to return thanks to our Companion Grand Secretary for the courtesies extended to me and assistance rendered in the discharge of my duties. I would also extend thanks to our Companion Deputy Grand High Priest for the courtesies extended to me in matters that I was unable to attend to myself. To the companions in general I wish to return thanks for the forbearance you have shown me; if at times I have been dilatory, it was that I might be sure that I was right before acting.”

The Report on Correspondence was presented by Comp. CHAS. J. PHELPS, chairman, and is an interesting and able review of the legislation of the several Grand Jurisdictions. In his review of Colorado he joins in poking fun at the opening ceremonies indulged in by the Grand Officers of that jurisdiction. He says:—

“The Grand Chapter was opened in due form, we are told, by the Deputy Grand High Priest, and he directed the Grand Captain of the Host to inform the Grand High Priest that the Grand Royal Arch Chapter was opened and awaited his presence. We are accustomed to read, annually, a like account of the event, but we read it of no other Grand Chapter. Now, one would naturally ask where the Grand High Priest keeps himself during the opening of his Grand Chapter. We opine that he is sitting in state in one of those magnificent chambers contained in the Temple. But why? Comp. CASWELL, of California, says that it is the Grand High Priest's duty to open the Grand Chapter in person; it is a new wrinkle. Comp. FOSTER says he believes that their mode of opening the Grand Chapter is an innovation and an aping of some other body. Now, with two as good men as CASWELL and FOSTER witnessing against the custom, why cannot this piece of grandeur be laughed out of existence?”

We decline to join in the laugh at Colorado, for we may want to do some foolish thing ourselves one of these days. So, let Colorado have all the ceremony she wants.

In reviewing California he gives favorable notice to the Address of Past Grand High Priest MYRICK, and is very complimentary to Comp. CASWELL. Speaks of our generous aid to the contemplated Orphans' Home, and says our condition is excellent.

Thanks, Comp. PHELPS. We will try and keep the ship right side up.

In reviewing Indiana he notices the report of Comp. THOS. B. LONG, Chairman of Correspondence, who, in speaking upon the discussion of the question of “Chapters burying their dead,” so completely expresses our ideas that we copy it here:—

“The Blue Lodge ceremonial is all the funeral service there should be in Ancient Craft Masonry. None other should take its place; and it would be superfluous for the Chapter to adopt one, and distasteful to have it performed, also, at a Lodge funeral, or at one where a claim of right or privilege to conduct it should thus exclude the Lodge. For almost identical reasons, too, a Chapter should not appear as a distinct and separate organization in a Masonic funeral procession. Exactly what the committee meant in their disapproval is not apparent.”

And in noticing Kentucky, he takes this from the report of Comp. JAMES W. STARON, chairman, in which opinion we most heartily concur, and, in the language of the representative of Old Kentucky, don't care a fig (Masonically) for a Mason who won't give his support to the construction he puts upon the law defining a Mason's duty. So mote it be. And this is the opinion:—

"We say it boldly (for we know we shall be taken to task for the utterance) that we would not give a fig for any man's Masonry who does not stand up to the Blue Lodge in preference to any and all others. That is the backbone of Masonry, and all the others are merely side shows in comparison to Blue Lodge Masonry. Now, we don't want to be misunderstood in this matter. We have as high regard for all the other branches of Masonry, and we regard the Chapter, Council and Commandery as branches of the so-called York Rite system, and A. & A. S. Rite, also as a branch of the system of Freemasonry, the views of some distinguished writers to the contrary notwithstanding, and we love them all, and belong to them all, having attained to the last round of the ladder in them all, but we would not care three straws for any one of them if we had to be deprived of our Blue Masonry. Others can do as they please, but we hold Blue Masonry pre-eminently above them all. Now we are done with this subject."

The Grand Chapter of Nebraska is a vigorous organization and is thoroughly representative of the Royal Arch Masonry of the Great West. May she enjoy the prosperity she deserves.

The M. E. ROBERT E. FRENCH was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. WM. R. BOWEN was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held at York, December 13, 1893.

NEVADA.

The nineteenth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Nevada was held at Reno, June 13, 1892,—the M. E. C. W. HINCHLIFFE, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the R. E. C. N. NOTEWARE being Grand Secretary. Eight Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest presented his Annual Address, giving thanks for the privilege of assembling once more in the interest of Royal Arch Masonry. After reporting his official acts, he submits this question to the Grand Chapter:—

"St. John's Chapter, No. 5, asks for a ruling on the question whether a brother, who having become maimed after receiving the M. M. Degree, is eligible to receive the Chapter Degrees. In this case I am informed that the brother has lost a portion of his right limb, but by means of an artificial one, can walk and do all that is absolutely necessary.

"In the absence of any provision of our Constitution bearing upon the subject, and being unable to interpret the intent and meaning of the resolution adopted by the General Grand Chapter of the United States, September 17, 1853, I refer the question to the Grand Chapter for such ruling as in their wisdom they may deem proper."

The question was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, who reported as follows:—

"Your committee, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand High Priest's address referring to this Grand Chapter a ruling asked for by St. John's Chapter, No. 5, as to the eligibility to receive the Capitular Degrees by a M. M. who has lost a portion of his right limb, do report:—

"A Chapter should not receive an application for the degrees when the applicant is physically unable to comply literally with all the requirements of the several degrees."

All of which is good law for California. The Committee on Jurisprudence also presented the following report, which was approved by the Grand Chapter:—

"Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to whom was referred the resolution regarding the qualification of an applicant for the degrees as conferred in Chapters in this jurisdiction, report the following resolution:—

"Resolved, That an applicant for the Chapter Degrees shall be a Master Mason in good standing affiliated with some Lodge. He shall be whole and sound, not deformed or dismembered."

Comp. FRANK BELL presented the Report of the Committee on Correspondence. He notices California, and says of Comp. CASWELL:—

"Companion CASWELL's Report on Correspondence is shorter than usual. Owing to the crippled condition of his right hand and a severe attack of inflammation of the eyes, he had to pass the proceedings of a number of jurisdictions, among them Nevada."

You must be aware, Comp. BELL, that California would never pass Nevada without a formal salute, except in a case of emergency.

The silver question seems to be a "landmark" in Nevada, and in reviewing Colorado he meets his affinity and relieves himself thus:—

"We assure you, we are delighted with Colorado's representative near us, and satisfied that Companion WORTENBEE must be equally acceptable to you."

After quoting us on the silver proposition, he speaks by the book, and stands in with us thus:—

"We do it, because we know its truthfulness, having traveled from north to south and east to west of that State, and visited almost every mining camp, both those that are active and those in innocuous desuetude; we know that it is no idle boast that its wealth will flow out to enrich the country, when, as of old, silver is permitted again to occupy its inheritance as the peer of gold. Colorado will stand in with you."

In reviewing Kentucky, he makes this declaration which we can't allow to pass without our protest:—

"The Address of the Grand High Priest is largely taken up with a defense of his decision regarding the new Constitution. The committee was divided in opinion, the majority reporting the Constitution as having been properly adopted, which report was accepted by the Grand Chapter."

"Here we have another case of Cernean. This is not the first time that difficulty has arisen by the introduction of strangers among the workmen. Then why not let Scottish Rite people take care of themselves? Neither Rite acknowledges the Royal Arch Chapter, why should we recognize them?"

My dear Comp. BELL, don't you know that the acknowledged bodies of the Scottish Rite, the Northern and Southern Jurisdictions of the United States, not only recognize, but are in active sympathy with every regular Masonic organization in the world? There is no friction between regular organizations of the Scottish Rite and our folks anywhere. Review your assertion and correct it.

Comp. BELL says in conclusion:—

"Again we have completed our labor and reviewed the proceedings of forty-six Grand Jurisdictions, South Carolina alone missing from American jurisdictions."

"We find an increase in membership over the report of 1891 of 8,548, every jurisdiction but one showing an increase."

"In some of the jurisdictions, the Cernean Scottish Rite is still causing trouble. With those exceptions, all is peace and prosperity among the Royal Craft."

The M. E. ALBERT LACKEY was elected Grand High Priest, and CHAUNCEY N. NOTEWARE was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held at Reno, June 12, 1893.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

The seventy-third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of New Hampshire was held at Concord, May 17, 1892,—the M. E. HORACE A. BROWN, Grand High Priest, presiding, and R. E. GEO. P. CLEAVES being Grand Secretary. Fourteen Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address. After expressing his thanks to the Supreme Architect for the privilege of meeting again in Annual Convocation: "While it has been a year marked by the prevalence of unusual sickness, and the removal from among us by death of friends on every hand, yet the dread Messenger has summoned comparatively few of the companions of this Grand Body to join the great majority on the other side." He gives fraternal records and affectionate remembrance to each of the departed companions. In regard to decisions, he says: "No questions of particular importance involving the principles of Masonic law or usage have been presented for determination during the year."

From the Grand Treasurer's report we learn there was:—

In the treasury.....	\$1,424 08
Receipts for the year.....	1,311 65
Total.....	\$2,735 73
Disbursements for the year.....	\$ 833 88
Cash on hand.....	1,901 85
Total.....	\$2,735 73

There was nothing but routine business to demand the attention of the Grand Chapter.

Comp. A. S. WAIT presented the Report on Correspondence. Under Alabama he says:—

"Companion PILLANS, notwithstanding he has been roughly handled for it, remained steadfast to the faith that the presence of the warrant is as necessary as that of the square and compasses of the Holy Bible, and he fraternally alludes to the topic both in his review of Maine and New Hampshire."

He gives kindly notice of California, and says of Comp. CASWELL:—

"The Report on Correspondence is, as usual, by the Grand Secretary and Past Grand High Priest, THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL, Chairman of the Committee. He reviews the proceedings of twenty-five sister Grand Chapters only, although he had received those of nineteen in addition, which he leaves unreviewed for the reason, as he informs us, of the crippled condition of his right hand, which he was unable to use for any purpose for five weeks previous to the Convocation. Among those not reviewed, we regret to find, are those of New Hampshire. He expresses the hope that he will be able to give a full review the following year, and we earnestly trust, for his own comfort as well as for the edification of the craft, that his hope will be realized."

Under Maine, he continues to discuss with Comp. DRUMMOND the subject of the relation of Chapters to Grand Chapters, entering into the history of their formation, exhausting the history of those bodies for the purpose of establishing his theory of prior authority, and the right to govern. The discussion is a learned one, shows study and research, interesting to the scholar and student, but of little interest to the practical Mason of to-day. Men are disposed to look upon the organization of Capitular Masonry as it exists as the acknowledged system without investigating the particular methods of its creation at this late day. The General Grand Chapter is with us the acknowledged governing power, and we will not question it. Our views are very fully expressed by Comp. WM. R. BOWEN in his report for Nebraska for 1891, and his review of the situation is as applicable now as then. He says:—

"The perusal of the proceedings of our fellow Grand Chapters has been not interesting only, but, withal, instructive."

"Capitular degrees do not receive that attention they merit. The Royal Arch, as an instructive degree in symbolic Freemasonry, is the acme of the system. And yet the subordinate bodies, in whose keeping it is primarily placed, in too many instances neglect to give it that consideration necessary to fitting their officers to confer it. Some of our Grand Chapters have determined to remedy this evil of negligence, recognizing the fact—for fact it is—that where the degrees are properly and intelligently conferred, there; and there only, are the Royal Craft prosperous. They

have adopted ways and means to instruct those in charge. And wherever these plans have been carried into successful operation there is prosperity. In Massachusetts, at the Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter, the first business is, or was at its last Annual Convocation, to organize for the exemplification of the work and lectures in each degree. In Pennsylvania, quarterly Convocations of the Grand Chapter are held for the purpose of exemplifying the degrees; and it is a noticeable fact that sometimes there is a larger representation of the Chapters at one of these quarterly Convocations than at the Annual Convocation.

"In New York the exemplification of the work of conferring the degrees is not only a part of the business of the Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter, but a system of short lectures pertaining to the several Chapter degrees has been adopted, and candidates cannot obtain advancement until actual proficiency in the preceding degree has been attained. Better still: in the District of Columbia, one elected to an office in a Chapter cannot be installed until he has secured a certificate from a committee of the Grand Chapter on Work, that he is qualified to perform the ritual work pertaining to his office.

"In all of these Grand Jurisdictions, as also in several other States, where like attention is being given to the work, Capitular Masonry is occupying, as it should, a plane second to no other Masonic body.

"One of the effective means made use of is to secure a Grand Lecturer, and this plan is a good one; but that officer should possess not only accurate knowledge of the work, but excellent judgment and tact as well.

"That our own Grand Chapter may see to it that our standard in this regard be an excellent one is the wish, I have no doubt, of every true craftsman in our jurisdiction."

In Comp. WARR's review of Ohio for 1891, he gives this action of the Grand Chapter had upon the recommendation of the Committee on Jurisprudence:—

"*Resolved*, That membership in a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons shall be dependent upon and co-existent with membership in a Lodge of Master Masons. *Provided*, That a dimitted Master Mason, who has in good faith petitioned for membership in a Lodge, and has been rejected therein, shall not forfeit his membership in the Chapter to which he belongs until after the expiration of six months from the rejection by the Lodge; and any such dimitted Master Mason, who has been rejected, must renew his application to a Lodge within six months after each such previous rejection, in order to retain his membership in his Chapter."

Similar legislation in this jurisdiction, Comp. WARR, is founded upon the declaration in our Grand Lodge Constitution, and which has the unqualified assent of our Grand Chapter, "that it is the duty of every Master Mason to be a member of some Lodge." Companion WARR comments as follows:—

"This resolution substantially adopts the rule prevailing, if we recollect rightly, in California, and perhaps in one or two other jurisdictions. It is to be observed that the resolution does not proceed upon the ground that non-affiliation in a Lodge is, upon any principle, a disqualification for the character of Royal Arch Mason, or for membership in a Chapter. It is purely in the nature of a *penalty* for the non-performance of a supposed duty, not to the Chapter, but to the symbolic branch of Masonry. We think, for this reason alone, the resolution introduces into Royal Arch Masonry a purely arbitrary rule (not, we wish to be understood, in the offensive sense), and not supported by any Masonic principle. We do not deny the right of our companions to establish such a rule as one of local law, but it can be regarded no otherwise than as merely local, and not binding except where specially adopted."

But as the matter is stated fairly, we have nothing further to remark.

Comp. WARR's report is a very able one, and speaks in no uncertain tones of his ripe experience, aided by intelligent study and research as an accomplished Mason.

The M. E. HORACE AMES BROWN was re-elected Grand High Priest, and R. E. GEORGE PULEY CLEAVES was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held at Concord, May 16, 1893.

NEW JERSEY.

The thirty-sixth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of New Jersey was held in the City of Trenton, May 11, 1892,—the M. E. ROBERT A. SIMPSON, Grand

High Priest, presiding, the R. E. G. B. EDWARDS being Grand Secretary. Twenty-eight Chapters being represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address. After welcoming the members in attendance at this session, he refers with feeling to those companions who have laid down their burdens during the year, and passed from labor to eternal rest. He found it necessary to make but two decisions during the year, and as they are not important, we pass them without mention. He reports a number of visitations, and comments with regret at the lack of interest in Capitular Masonry in the jurisdiction, assigning as one cause a lack of proficiency in the Ritual.

The Deputy Grand High Priest, Grand King, and Grand Scribe also presented their official Reports of Visitations, and the condition of the various Chapters visited.

From the Treasurer's report we learn that the receipts for the year were \$1,708 50, and disbursements \$1,468 74. Balance in treasury, \$1,885 85.

The following report was made by the Committee on the Doings of Grand Officers:—

"Your Committee on Doings of Grand Officers congratulate the Royal Craft upon the general prosperity prevailing throughout the jurisdiction, as indicated by the reports of the Grand High Priest and his associate officers, whose fidelity to duty we feel it a pleasure to commend.

"We recommend that Memorial pages be set apart in affectionate memory of the departed companions named in the address, and lament the loss of those who have for so long a term of years devoted themselves to the service of Masonry and the discharge of Masonic duty. We rejoice in the peaceful relations existing between our own and sister Grand Jurisdictions, to which the appointment of mutual representatives largely contributes. We therefore cordially approve of the action of the Grand High Priest in making and welcoming such appointments, and are much pleased with the suggestion as to the propriety of such representatives communicating annually with the Grand Chapters they respectively represent.

"We commend the spirit of fraternal courtesy as evinced in the granting of waivers of jurisdiction.

"We recommend that the matter of dispensations to Orange and Clinton Chapters be referred to Committee on Constitutions.

"We also recommend the reference of the decisions of the Grand High Priest to the same committee.

"We regret to express our belief in the truth of the statement of our Grand High Priest as regards the want of uniformity in the instruction afforded subordinate Chapters by visiting Grand Officers, and commend to you the consideration of the suggestion made regarding the appointment of an officer for that specific purpose, but are not sufficiently satisfied with the advisability of such action at this time to warrant our positive recommendation.

"In some jurisdictions this is accomplished by the appointment of District Deputies.

"In noticing the report of the proxy of the Grand High Priest to General Grand Chapter in relation to the ritual of Royal Arch Masonry, we cannot refrain from expressing our disapprobation of the continued interference of that body with the work of the Capitular Degrees, and are inclined to the belief that a part of the uncertainty and consequent want of uniformity in our work is due to this cause.

"Much valuable time of the Grand Chapter would be saved by the submitting of reports to the several committees prior to the Annual Convocation, and committees would be enabled to give matter referred to them more mature deliberation, than when called upon to perform such duties in a hurried manner and at a moment's notice.

"In view of these facts, we would suggest that all such material be placed in the possession of the several committees at least one week prior to the Annual Convocation."

Comp. HENRY VEHSLAGE presented the Report on Correspondence, reviewing the proceedings of forty-six Grand Chapters. He gives favorable mention of California; compliments Comp. DAY, Grand High Priest, for his address, and sincerely regretting the disability of Comp. CASWELL.

In his report under Georgia, he gives us his approval of Comp. LOVE's idea of what a report should be:—

"A Report on Foreign Correspondence, as we conceive it, is but a map of the busy life of Masonry, and should present the most important features of that busy life in the most convenient and comprehensive form possible. Still, in the preparation, here and there, we find presented features and facts more interesting to the Royal Craft, and we shall not hesitate to present, with these, such points as may seem fit and proper, yet with no desire to obtrude our views and opinions upon others."

Before closing his report, he says:—

"We regret that we are forced to close this report without the official proceedings of the General Grand Chapters at the last Triennial Convocation. The absence of new questions for discussion is obvious, but the cropping up of the old ones has been with the usual regularity and frequency. As a rule, growth and prosperity have rewarded the faithful endeavors of the Craft. Death has been busy, as usual, and the heart is saddened by the removal of many who deservedly held prominent places in the ranks of Capitular Masonry, but we have the precious heritage of their useful service and good example."

"And still we hope
That in a world of larger scope,
What here is faithfully begun
Will be completed, not undone."

The *M. E.* EDWARD MILLS was elected Grand High Priest, and *R. E.* GEORGE B. EDWARDS was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held in the City of Trenton, May 10, 1893.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

We have received the proceedings of the Supreme Grand Chapter of New South Wales.

The Quarterly Convocations are held in February, May, August and November.

The *M. E.* THOMAS READ is First Grand Principal, and the *M. E.* FRANCIS B. DAVIDSON being Grand Scribe E.

The Committee of General Purposes meet on the third Wednesday of January, April, July and October. The *M. E.* JOHN McLACHLAN is President, and the *M. E.* THOMAS READ and FRANCIS B. DAVIDSON, with ten associates, compose this committee.

The *M. E.* President submitted his third Annual Report. The report gives a favorable account of the state and progress of Royal Arch Masonry in that part of the world. We give the opening:—

"In submitting the third Annual Report of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of New South Wales, its steady and substantial progress during the past year, and the very hopeful and cheerful prospects for the future, are subjects for congratulation.

"This report is, in the main, a recapitulation or a digested summary of the quarterly reports which have been previously submitted to the Supreme Grand Chapter.

"The Grand Treasurer's balance sheet for the year is appended. The receipts during the year were £209 5s. 8d. The disbursements £210 6s. 1d., including interest 6s loan from No. 6 Chapter and on overdraft at the City Bank. Our known liabilities to date are £246 3s. 5d."

A financial statement accompanies the report.

NEW YORK.

The ninety-fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of New York was held in the City of Albany, February 2, 1892,—the *M. E.* WM. J. McDONALD, Grand High Priest, presiding, and *R. E.* CHRISTOPHER G. FOX being Grand Secretary. Six Past Grand High Priests and the representatives of one hundred and seventy-nine Chapters were present.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address. It is an able paper—one worthy of the executive head of this great jurisdiction. We copy his opening words:—

"A year ago it was my privilege to stand before you and extend a fraternal greeting. By the mercy of the Divine Power, again it is my privilege to stand in this exalted place and bid you a most hearty and cordial welcome to the ninety-fifth Annual Convocation of our beloved Grand Chapter.

"Our yearly gatherings to me, and I trust to you all, have been seasons of enjoyment and profit, and as from time to time we gather within these consecrated walls to review the labors of the past, and to prepare ourselves, as best we can, for the important work before us, let us resolve that we, the unfinished ashlar for the building we are striving to erect, shall become nearer perfection, so that we may successfully pass the inspection of those who shall succeed us to conduct the affairs of this body.

"Many new faces are presented to me at this time, and many older and more familiar ones are missing; these changes cannot fail to fill us with the most profound feelings, for we are at once made sad by the loss of those who have so long and faithfully labored with us, and gladdened in the newly added strength. We rejoice not only in the privilege of welcoming the inexperienced among us, but in the knowledge that their presence demonstrates that they are here to assist in carrying to successful issue the work of their illustrious predecessors. We also rejoice in the fact that the past year has been an exceedingly prosperous one; that peace, prosperity and good fellowship seem to have been the predominant features of our beloved rite, and that our present flourishing condition is furnishing food for reflection to all who feel an interest in Ancient Craft Masonry. My companions, then let us endeavor now, and in the future, to make each succeeding year excel its predecessor in good works, and we shall then merit the blessings of Heaven that are continually showered upon us."

He passes to the consideration of the death roll of the jurisdiction, making mention of the companions well-known for their zeal and intelligence in the dissemination of Capitular Masonry—companions who not only had the ability to understand, but who were qualified to explain the principles of Royal Arch Masonry—eulogizing their virtues and invoking the blessing of the Supreme High Priest upon their memories.

He also mentions the distinguished dead of other jurisdictions, and extends the sympathy of the Grand Chapter of New York to all in their bereavement.

He says in regard to his correspondence:—

"My correspondence has possibly been larger than that of the preceding year, still I have endeavored to give each communication as prompt attention as circumstances required and my ability permitted. I deem it a duty to again call your attention to the necessity of a more frequent recurrence to our laws, and an additional year's experience leads me to believe that it would very materially reduce the amount of unnecessary correspondence, thereby lessening the labor of the executive. A committee was appointed on my recommendation, a year ago, to adjust the approved decisions with the Constitution and General Regulations, and the experience of the past year convinces me that a simple codification will not be sufficient to meet our needs, and I earnestly recommend that a committee of five be appointed to revise the Constitution and Code of Procedure and report at our next Annual Convocation. I would also direct your attention to the importance of retaining all approved decisions not in conflict with the Constitution and General Regulations until after the adoption of the revised Constitution."

The decisions of the Grand High Priest were approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence, with one exception; but as they were of local importance only, we have no comment to make.

New York does not seem to have, like California, a permanently organized Convention of High Priests. The Grand High Priest reports the opening of several Councils for conferring the Order in different localities. And except in his presence, such Council must be authorized by dispensation from him.

We should think our companions of New York would find an organized permanent convention preferable to the itinerant plan, but then we don't say it loud, for

REES G. WILLIAMS knows that we were "caught and marked" in *Onetida*, No. 57, more than forty years ago, and he might say that presuming to advise "mother" was a piece of Western cheek. So it's all right. We will keep our convention, though.

The Grand High Priest makes full report of placing the corner-stone of the Masonic Home at Utica, May 21, 1891. As it is of general interest, and for the further reason that we expect to have a corner-stone to lay ourselves in the near future, we give the leading features of the arrangements for the day:—

"A fraternal invitation, under date of February 25th, was received from Most Worshipful JOHN W. VROOMAN, Grand Master of Masons of the Jurisdiction, to participate in the ceremonies of placing the corner-stone of the Home at Utica, on May 21st. As your executive, I regarded it as a pleasure and a special mark of favor for the Royal Craft to be honored in this manner, from the fact that, upon perusing the proceedings of our organization, I found reference to but one occasion when Royal Arch Masons were invited as a Grand Body to take part in either laying a corner-stone or in dedicatory ceremonies. On September 27, 1823, DEWITT CLINTON, who was then a Past Grand Master of Masons, and General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter, extended an invitation to the Grand Chapter and companions of this State to participate in the ceremonies incident to uniting the waters of the Erie and Champlain Canals with those of the Hudson River. The invitation was accepted, and on October 8th of the same year, an Emergent Convocation was convened in this ancient city. There were present nine of the Grand Officers, together with representatives of twelve Chapters. The procession was an imposing one, the Grand Officers appearing in their robes of office, and the companions clothed as Royal Arch Masons, the cap-stone being placed by M. E. EZRA AMES, Grand High Priest, and beneath it a plate suitably engraved to perpetuate the event.

"On receipt of the invitation from Comp. VROOMAN, I immediately accepted it, and at this time I desire to publicly express my thanks and appreciation to him for his kind remembrance of the Royal Craft, as well as for the many acts of kindness extended to me, as your chief, during his brilliant career as Grand Master. The Grand Secretary, Comp. E. M. L. EHLERS, also the Trustees of the Hall and Asylum Fund must not be forgotten, and I wish in the same way to express my profound gratitude to them for the very many courtesies bestowed on your executive on this and other occasions."

A second circular letter was issued April 29th, directed to High Priests of all Chapters in the Jurisdiction, etc., greeting:—

"I have the honor to announce that arrangements incident to the placing of the corner-stone of the new Masonic Home at Utica on May 21st, proximo, are about complete; your attention is fraternally called to my circular letter of the sixteenth ultimo, and Secretaries of Chapters are directed to comply with instructions therein relating to, and report to the Grand Secretary of the action of their Chapters thereon."

The following information is also promulgated to the Royal Craft:—

"Headquarters of the Grand Chapter (while at Utica) will be established at Bagge's Hotel.

"Grand Officers, permanent members and representatives of sister Grand Chapters, near that of New York, will report to me at headquarters at eleven o'clock on morning of parade.

"R. E. FREDERICK E. BAINES, Grand Captain of the Host, will act as Marshal, assisted by the following companions acting as aids, who will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

"WM. H. SYMONDS, GEO. E. W. STIVERS, GEO. H. KELLY, JOHN W. PALMER, JOHN L. BROTHERS, GEO. B. ABBOTT, DEWITT D. HOUGHTAILING, ERNEST M. MANNVAREN, ARTHUR T. CROCKER, AARON HALL.

"High Priests or Senior Officers of Chapters, or delegations, are requested to report as early as possible on the morning of the day of the parade, to the Marshal or one of his aids, who will be in attendance at headquarters.

"Companions are requested to appear in dark hats and clothing, also with gloves and aprons.

"Garland's celebrated Tenth Regiment Band of forty pieces, will lead the Royal Arch column. The band master will report with band at 11 o'clock on morning of the day of the parade, at these headquarters.

"The head of column will move promptly at 12 o'clock, and it is requested that companions will be in line before the hour named.

"This being the first time in the history of Royal Arch Masonry in this jurisdiction that Royal Arch Masons have been invited (as a body) by the Executive Officer of the Grand Lodge, to participate in the ceremonies of laying a corner-stone, it is my earnest wish that every Chapter will send at least a representative, and that every companion who can consistently do so, will join the Royal Arch divisions on this most auspicious occasion, thereby demonstrating to the Most Worshipful Grand Master and brethren of Ancient Craft Masonry, our earnestness in the Capitular Rite, as well as our fealty to the Mother Body.

"It is directed that this letter be read in every Chapter at the first regular Convocation after its receipt, and its contents spread in full upon the minutes.

"Again calling your attention to my letter of March 16th, and trusting that this will receive your earnest and favorable consideration.

"I am, fraternally yours,

"WILLIAM J. McDONALD,
"Grand High Priest.

Before closing his address the Grand High Priest returns thanks as follows:—

"When assuming the responsibilities of this office I entered upon the duties with fear and trembling, but your companionship and encouragement strengthened me in my desire and purpose to do what I could to advance the interests of the Royal Craft. If I have, in a measure, been successful I can retire, feeling that my labors here have not been wholly in vain.

"I will never be unmindful of the obligations you have placed me under by your suffrages in elevating me to this exalted position. May the power that has guided us safely through so many years still preside over and direct us in our deliberations at this time."

The report of the Grand Treasurer is as follows:—

Cash balance on hand,.....	\$ 1,119 53	
Receipts for year.....	12,081 12	
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	\$13,200 65	
Disbursements,.....		\$12,459 88
Cash deposit, Savings Bank,.....		740 77
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		\$13,200 65
The funds of the Grand Chapter consist of:—		
20 shares Bank stock,.....		\$2,000 00
Cash on deposit,.....		740 77
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		\$2,740 77

An exemplification of the work of the Royal Arch degree was had Tuesday evening, February 2d.

Elegant portraits of Past Grand High Priests W. J. McDONALD, GEO. VAN VLIET and THOMAS C. CASSIDY, ornament this volume of proceedings.

The Report on Correspondence is presented by Comp, GEORGE J. GARDNER, Chairman. He prefaces the result of his labor with these remarks:—

"As the fraternal circle becomes enlarged the duties of this committee become accordingly increased. It already requires a large amount of time and labor, both physical and mental, to cope with the demand. These cannot be bestowed in one continuous stream, because the work to be performed is interrupted by the variations as to the time of holding the Grand Convocations of the different Bodies, these occurring during every month but one in the entire year, and the volumes of proceedings to be reviewed, consequently, are scattered through the entire period.

"We have been gratified to perceive that our work, thus far, has met the favorable consideration of all our co-laborers in the reportorial field. Some have differed with us in our views respecting the scope of our work, and have thought that we should take the role of a critic, especially our erudite M. E. Companion of Maine, the acknowledged head of Masonic reviewers, and for whose opinions and utterances we have the highest respect, and to whose superior knowledge of Craft legislation we readily yield implicit allegiance. While he has seen fit to differ with us, the large body of our fellow-laborers have concurred in our views. We see no reason for changing them at present. Time, perhaps, may modify them—we shall see. Under the heads of Indiana and Maine will be found further remarks touching this subject."

And expresses himself as to the general condition of the Royal Craft by transferring the conclusions of Comp. MAYO of Missouri, which we copy, and respond in chorus—so say we all:—

"The Royal Craft, like the rest of mankind the world over, is improving and getting better year by year; we are becoming better acquainted with each other owing to rapid and cheap transit, the different sections and States are losing their sectionalisms, self-conceit, arrogance and pride, as they visit around, become broader-minded, more liberal and better educated, and as we run across States and continents we find in rubbing up against men whom we had never seen or heard of before that they, too, have ideas of their own, and know how to express them legally, logically, Masonically and convincingly. The grand old Commonwealths of Maine, Massachusetts and other old Grand Jurisdictions have learned that it will not do to make Masons and send them out in the world as orphans, or worse still, without father or mother, home or place to lay their weary heads. Also that when a Mason by negligence, carelessness, willfulness or sheer cussedness, allows himself to be suspended for non-payment of dues in his Lodge, that deprives him of all Masonic rights and benefits and *ipso facto* suspends him in all other Masonic Bodies, and this penalty rests upon him until, at least, he pays his delinquency."

California receives favorable notice. Comp. FRANKLIN HENRY DAY is complimented for his acknowledgment of the loving kindness of the Supreme High Priest of the Universe in permitting this Convocation of the Grand Chapter, in his affectionate tribute to our distinguished dead companions, ABELL and HOLLUB, and in his exercise of the executive functions of the office of Grand High Priest.

The Committee on Jurisprudence receives favorable notice for the report recommending the restoration of Comp. FRANK TUNIS, the report being published in full with favorable comment.

Comp. GARDNER thinks our financial condition sound, the handsome "nest-egg" of \$32,417.02, indicating no danger of bankruptcy.

He speaks of our amendment to the Constitution reducing the fee for the degrees from \$50 to \$30. It is well to explain here that the law originally read: "No Chapter shall confer the degrees for a less sum than \$50." The amendment struck out \$50 and inserted \$30, making \$30 the minimum sum for which a Chapter can confer the degrees, leaving it optional with the Chapters to fix their fees for the degrees at any sum not less than \$30. The amendment has been favored for years by those in small and remote jurisdictions who could see no remedy for no work and hard times except a reduction of fees.

Well, we shall see.

He sympathizes with Comp. CASWELL in his afflictions, and warns him "not to let it occur again."

In his notice of Canada, he observes:—

"A feature, which we think ought more generally to be observed, was a report of the Grand Representative of that Body near that of Vermont, giving a brief statement of the transactions of that Body (Vermont) in advance of the published proceedings. Were this feature very generally adopted, it would give the Grand Representatives something to do, rather than as now standing, as mere 'figure-heads,' an ornamental honorary appendage to the Grand Bodies."

Under Indian Territory, Comp. GARDNER reports that R. E. ROBERT WILLIAM HILL, our Grand Representative near that Grand Body and its present Grand High Priest, delivered one of the best eulogies on M. E. Comp. PIKE which it has been our melancholy pleasure to read—one which, we think, will warrant our transcribing to these pages, and especially as we have not dwelt at length elsewhere in our report on the virtues and lovely characteristics of the deceased:—

ALBERT PIKE.

Born December 29, 1809. Died April 2, 1891.

Vixit.

Laborem ejus superstites, sunt fructus.

(He has lived. The fruits of his labors live with him.)

"The above is the simple and beautiful epitaph written for himself by our venerated and beloved brother. What shall we add to it in this brief notice of his passing? Who that knew him but will ever have his form and kindly face deeply engraven on the tablet of memory? Who that was ever privileged to listen to his voice, or read his words, can forget this Master? It seldom falls to the lot of any man to make so deep an impression on men of intellect as was made by ALBERT PIKE. In whatever light we consider him, whether as Mason, or scholar, or poet, or lawyer, or philosopher, he was easily a leader. His varied accomplishments and his profound knowledge made him peerless in Masonry, and won for him all the honors it has to bestow. Of positive temperament, his convictions made him a warrior for truth. Nothing could turn him aside when right demanded his services. Thus it happened that in his later years much of his literary work was polemic in its nature, and till the very last his pen was busy in defense of what he believed was the truth. And yet his was a kindly heart. 'None knew him but to love him.' With a rare benignity of countenance, his every look spake the language of a heart full of good-will to man. To be with him much was an education, and none could fail to be better, braver, and more magnanimous who came under his influence. How ready he was to do a kindly act many can testify, but those who knew him intimately realized his intense love for all mankind which lay at the bottom of so many kindly deeds. The burden of his teachings was in this direction, and every page of his 'Morals and Dogmas' breathes the humanitarian spirit. To him man was ever a reflection of Divinity, hence worthy of all consideration. His teachings bore fruit around him, and will live after him, continually bearing fruit for the benefit of humanity.

"As a poet, his worth was early recognized, but much of his poetry is now out of print. A few months before he died he said he hoped to be able soon to print a few copies of his collected poems for a few chosen friends, but, alas! he was called away too soon. Latterly his poetry all had the suggestive undertone of sadness. Out of his wide experience he realized the heavy burdens of sorrow which fall to all in this lot, and which his genius expressed itself in song, the sad minor was there, but—

"Does anyone know what we have in the heart,
Our life's every motive, an intricate part
Of chance and of fate?
The sound of fond voices that ever respond
In tones soft and low,
To the prayer we are breathing into the beyond
Does any one know.'

"He had his sorrows, his sweet and bitter memories, his hours of sad reflection, but when his poet hand struck the lyre the very soul of music responded to his touch—all the sweeter because of the minor chord which was ever present.

"One phase of his character it may not be amiss to speak of here. He revered God the Creator, and looked ever hopefully to the future. And yet his religious beliefs, so sweet and comforting to himself, were not cast in the common mold. He thought for himself and sought for truth wherever there was hope it might be found. His learning thus made the wisdom of the ancients a stimulus to his faith, and their words a comfort. With an intense scorn of all sham, he had little regard for those whose religion was of precept and not of practice. His belief expressed itself in work, and thus he could say:—

"The truest worship does not lie
In fast and vigil; spending dismal days,
To only lift the tribute of a sigh
Gives God no glory. Come with glad some lays
All ye who truly love the Lord most high,
For perfect prayer is found in perfect praise.'

"With him life meant responsibility, opportunity. Religion meant worship in work, and thus through successful effort to become a source of joy. To know God and to live for Him was his desire, and to manifest His spirit was his daily effort.

"Let others speak of the particulars of his Masonic career. In all Masonic bodies he made his mark, and many will tell the long tale of honors, but only those who sat beside him, who felt the clasp of his hand, the cheering word; those who knew his heart and entered into his life, those and only those can ever fully realize the loss we sustain. His tender 'Words Spoken of the Dead' prompt us to essay eulogy, but eulogy is not needed from his friends. His life, his work, his teaching, are ours, better than words, better than monument. May we be the better for his life as Mason and as man—

" 'To tell the story of a well-spent life
The Mason true builds his own monument ;
But not of bronze, nor yet of marble white,
These soon are gone.

" 'The knightly spirit which assails all wrong,
And battles in the world with purpose strong
To win for Right the homage of the throng,
Makes for itself a crown.

" 'The generous courage and the pure intent
Of the brave soul which seeks to make life bright,
Fills hearts with gladness, and uplifts a light
Which has a glow divine.

" 'Look in the lives of men ; in upward trend
Of years to come, and in the hopes which blend
Time and eternity, join friend to friend,
Is best memorial found.

" 'A richer life is then his monument,
Which through the ages grander will become,
As it more fully breathes his spirit, and is spent
To help and bless mankind.'

"One feature of his Masonic life deserves mention. He has established one of the finest libraries in the United States, which is practically the only available public library in Washington, and which now is a source of Masonic light to all who choose to avail themselves of its benefits.

"Of ALBERT PIKE we can truly say, in his own words, written of another : ' A great man, old and full of days, has been gathered to his fathers ; a man of transcendent ability, pre-eminently gifted with the logical faculty of strong, clear intellect, a great lover of the Truth, and singularly keen in distinguishing it from Error. A man quick in determining, resolute in adhering to, and bold in announcing his conclusions and convictions ; an accomplished lawyer, an ardent and impassioned orator, vehement and imperious in debate ; a student who had accumulated a great store of knowledge of many kinds ; a man of antique greatness of soul, of true nobility of character and of perfect integrity. * * * A man whom one could not long be with without coming to love him ; a man who, take him all in all, had no equal in intellect in the Order he served so long and well.' He is gone."

" 'Every year
Earth's hold on us grows slighter,
And the heavy burdens lighter,
And the dawn immortal brighter,
Every year.'

May his memory be honored, and his virtues imitated when we who loved him have also passed away.

On February 3d the Grand Chapter listened to a very able address by the Grand Chaplain, the Rev. JAMES BYRON MURRAY, the reverend gentleman founding his thoughts upon the discovery by COLUMBUS and the wonderful results flowing from it—the possibilities developed, the growth of ideas, and the organization of the great system of moral education, the Fraternity of Freemasonry. I take from its fifteen pages the following eloquent words: "With its truths unimpaired by time, with every symbol unfolding some fruit, with its form beating and pulsing as with the tidal sweep of ages, Masonry has left its image and superscriptions on the land with a more enduring moral impress than the CÆSARS on the Empire of Rome. Throwing into beautiful prominence its treasures, it pours them upon the person and the nation, and rising above the conflict of political opinion, it ministers to the welfare of the States. Gathering men into its ever multiplying temples, and winning them to the right and good, holding in its munificent hand the symbols of peace and law, it is building the sure defense of the moralities and benefactions of the Republic, and in the generations to come will be the insurmountable barrier against that venerable system, or any system, which shall seek to place weights on the conscience

in the name of God and religion." And with these eloquent words impressed upon the tablets of our memory we must say good-bye to New York.

The *M. E.* J. LEAVITT LAMBERT was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* CHRISTOPHER G. FOX was re-elected Grand Secretary.

NORTH CAROLINA.

The forty-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of North Carolina was held at the city of Winston, June 7, 1892,—the *M. E.* Grand High Priest BENJ. F. BRIGES presiding, and the *R. E.* DONALD W. BAIN being Grand Secretary. Sixteen Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest, in his Address, reviewed the business of the jurisdiction for the past year—announcing in feeling and appropriate terms the loss of beloved companions, and in a general tribute to the fraternal dead—giving expression to thoughts instructive and elevating to all who would live up to and observe the sublime precepts quoted.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is brief and accounted for by the following note from the Chairman:—

"To the M. E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of North Carolina:—

"Your committee put off the preparation of a report until the meeting of the Grand Chapter at Winston in June, hoping to find such an improvement in the financial exhibit that we could afford to print the usual Report on Correspondence. Your committee made a verbal explanation, and so great was the desire of the Grand Chapter to have a report that it was decided one should be written and printed with the proceedings. After the close of the session, however, it was found that the appropriations to meet existing obligations exceeded the receipts, and as no funds were left to provide for the printing of the report, your committee has thought it wise to omit a regular review this year, with the hope that the rule just adopted, requiring a per capita tax, will give us a larger income, and hereafter the committee will feel warranted in submitting a full and succinct account of the transactions of the various Grand Bodies in the jurisdiction of the General Grand Chapter."

The death of the *R. E.* DONALD W. BAIN, Grand Secretary, is announced, and the appointment of the *R. E.* HORACE H. MUNSON as his successor. No particulars in regard to the death of the *R. E.* companion are given, and we only know that it occurred November 16, 1892.

The *M. E.* DANIEL P. MAST was re-elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* DONALD W. BAIN was re-elected Grand Secretary.

Comp. BAIN's death and consequent vacancy of the Grand Secretary's office has since been filled by the appointment of the *R. E.* HORACE H. MUNSON as Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held at Tarboro the second Tuesday in May, 1893.

NORTH DAKOTA.

The third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of North Dakota was held at Grand Forks, June 29, 1892,—The *M. E.* FRANCIS INGALLS, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the *R. E.* THOMAS J. WILDER being Grand Secretary. Seven Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest, in his obituary, mentioned the companions of their own as well as those of other jurisdictions who had obeyed the summons and passed to the other side during the year.

After reporting the appointment of Representatives, among whom we notice that of Comp. MILTON H. MYRICK, of California, and the general business of the Grand Chapter, he received the reports of the Grand Officers, and the following from the Committee on Correspondence, which was ordered printed with the proceedings:—

"Your committee beg leave to report, that as the funds of the Grand Chapter are not of sufficient magnitude to warrant our reviewing each Grand Chapter separately, thereby making quite an expense in the shape of printer's bills; that in saving this item to the treasury we are enabling this Grand Chapter the sooner to have a full report.

"We are egotistical enough to believe that this will be regretted by sister Grand Chapters, and will be a loss to the Royal Craft of this jurisdiction, not because we would say anything either entertaining or amusing, but that we might find many good things in other proceedings of benefit to you. We feel that you, companions, are losers in one way and gainers in a financial view."

The Grand Chapter, on motion of Comp. JOSEPH HARK—

"Resolved, That a Past Grand High Priest's jewel be presented to Past Grand High Priest FRANCIS INGALLS, also all the other Past Grand High Priests of this Grand Chapter; which jewel shall be as near as possible an exact imitation of those given by the Grand Chapter of Dakota to M. E. Comps BLATT and PICKRON, and that the Grand Secretary be and is hereby instructed to procure and present the same."

This Grand Chapter seems to have made a fine start. Its finances are all right, and the healthy, growing atmosphere of the great Northwest will undoubtedly bring to the front, in the near future, a temple perfect in its appointments, of whom no workman need be ashamed.

Before retiring from his office the Grand High Priest addressed his companions of the Grand Chapter as follows:—

"And now, companions, in a few short hours my duties as your presiding officer will be ended. When entering upon its important duties one year ago I was in doubt as to my ability to properly conduct the affairs of the office, but the harmony that has prevailed, together with the encouragement and assistance rendered me by you all, has made my task an easy one. I have been most ably assisted by our worthy Grand Secretary, whose vast knowledge of the requirements of the Royal Craft has been of great value and assistance to me. The records of his office have been well and faithfully kept, and he has discharged his many duties with the same promptness and ability which has characterized him in the past; and I can truthfully say, 'Well done, thou good and faithful servant.'

"I have, to the best of my ability, given you a history of the past year, and if my acts meet with your approval I shall feel most amply repaid for the time the affairs of the office have required."

The M. E. LEONARD W. G. LISBON was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. THOS. J. WILDER was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held in the city of Jamestown, June 7, 1892.

NOVA SCOTIA.

The M. E. Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia held its twenty-third Annual Convocation in the town of Amherst, June 7, 1892,—the M. E. WILLIAM CROWE, Grand High Priest, presiding, the R. E. ALEXANDER ROSS being Grand Secretary. Twelve Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address, giving a detailed account of his visitations to the subordinate Chapters, giving a feeling memorial notice in memory of the companions who had been called from labor during the year, and commenting upon the progress of Royal Arch Masonry in the jurisdiction. He closed by returning his thanks as follows:—

"I have now only to thank you for the honor conferred, and to express the prayer that He who has been our Principal Sojourner over the rugged road of life, may be our Grand High Priest when called to present our Signet at the Sanctuary door."

Reports on visitations were received from companions appointed to visit certain Chapters, as the representatives of the Grand High Priest, and report upon their condition. These reports are published with the proceedings.

There is no Report on Correspondence.

The *M. E.* WM. B. ALLEY was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* ALEXANDER ROSS was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held in Halifax on June 13, 1893.

OHIO.

The seventy-sixth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Ohio convened in the city of Zanesville September 28th, 1892,—*M. E.* WILLIAM W. SAVAGE, Grand High Priest presiding, the *R. E.* CHAS. C. KIEFER being Grand Secretary. One hundred and twenty-five Chapters were represented.

This volume of proceedings is illuminated with fine portraits of Past Grand High Priests HARVEY VINAL and CHARLES C. KIEFER, and Grand Chaplain the Rev. Doctor and Comp. L. F. VAN CLEVEL.

After the report of the Committee on Credentials, Comp. Judge UNDERHILL, Past Grand High Priest, introduced to the Grand Chapter Comp. WM. B. DAVIS, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of California. Comp. DAVIS was invited to a seat in the East, and having been made a Royal Arch Mason in *McArthur* Chapter, No. 102, Comp. DAVIS, in a very happy manner, gave expression to the great pleasure it gave him to come back to his old home and friends.

We wish to remark here that Comp. WM. B. DAVIS, our Grand High Priest, is a nephew of that old Column of Strength in the Masonry of California, Past Grand High Priest ISAAC DAVIS, who established the Order of High Priesthood in California, having received the Order in Ohio in 1847, as High Priest of *Ohio* Chapter, No. 12; and it is hardly necessary to say that the mention of the name of ISAAC DAVIS will cause the original California Mason to raise his hat and ejaculate "God bless him." So mote it be.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address, welcoming the companions to the seventy-sixth Convocation; and noting the vacancy caused by the absence of familiar faces by the mention of one whom all noticed the absence of at this early stage of the proceedings, he said:—

"In the death of one, we are most forcibly reminded that 'In the midst of life we are in death.' When the strong, rich voice of our well beloved Grand Chaplain, so familiar to us all, pronounced the benediction at the close of our last Annual Convocation, little did we think that our Rev. Comp. LA FAYETTE VAN CLEVEL had met with us for the last time, that we should look upon his kind face and manly form no more.

"I can attempt no formal eulogy that will do justice to this princely man. I knew him well; I knew him in almost every relation in life—as citizen, as neighbor, as minister of the gospel, as a Mason in all the different grades, as a noble Christian gentleman, and as my warm personal friend. When I attempt to speak of him as his merits deserve, his high qualities in all these relations rise before me, each seeming to demand as much attention as any other.

"Comp. VAN CLEVEL was for a time stationed in Wilmington. During his stay with us, as a citizen he took as deep an interest in all public matters looking to the welfare of our community as if it always had been, and would always continue to be, his place of abode; as a neighbor, he left us carrying with him the respect, the confidence, and the love of all; as a minister, he was able, pure, and upright; to speak of him as a Mason would almost require a history of the Order for the past quarter of a century. He was a kind husband and an indulgent father, and was in consequence the idol of the home circle. In his intercourse with his brethren and with the world at large, his chief characteristic was plain dealing. He was truly a friend, never a flatterer—his friendship was therefore always valued.

"Our loss is irreparable, and would be unbearable but for our faith in the doctrine he so well taught while living, that we shall again greet him on that other shore, in that asylum prepared from the foundation of the world for all faithful followers of the Lamb."

In regard to the Masonic Home, he says:—

"On May 15th I appointed Comp. BRENTON D. BABCOCK trustee of the Ohio Masonic Home, to fill a vacancy caused by the inability, from ill health, of Comp. W. B. HILLMAN to attend to the duties of said position.

"I am informed by the Grand Secretary that some little opposition has been manifested by some of the subordinate Chapters to the payment of the per capita tax to aid in the support and maintenance of the Masonic Home."

The following is given at the close of the decisions rendered by the Grand High Priest, with his Conclusion:—

"A High Priest writes that two Master Masons of Lilliputian dimensions have petitioned his Chapter for the degrees; that they are so undersized as to be properly termed dwarfs; and asks if they are eligible for the Chapter degrees and if their petitions should be entertained.

"To which I replied as follows: 'There is no law of the Grand Chapter, of which I am aware, prescribing the physical size that shall render a Master Mason eligible to receive the Chapter degrees. Even the Lodge requirement is only that the candidate shall have all the faculties of a man entire. We can not proscribe a brother because he may be under or above the average man in size. The candidates, if otherwise worthy, should receive the degrees when properly elected.

CONCLUSION.

"And now, my companions, having reported to you, as fully as I can, the work of the past year, it only remains that I ask your kind indulgence for whatever errors, either of commission or omission, I may have committed, and for whatever measure of success I may have attained, to make due acknowledgment for the aid and assistance of my associate officers; and in this connection I desire to especially acknowledge the valuable advice and assistance of our Grand Secretary, which his ability and experience so eminently fit him to bestow.

"When, one year ago, I was made the recipient of the highest honor in your power to bestow, that honor was accepted with mingled feelings of gratitude for your confidence and a deep sense of the responsibility its acceptance implied. Happily for me, the year has been one of peace and good will. And now I return to you the authority with which, by your kindness, I have been temporarily invested, sincerely trusting that, if I have added nothing to the brilliant record of my predecessors, I have at least not dimmed or tarnished its luster."

From the report of Grand Treasurer we learn that the balance cash on

hand was,.....	\$12,147 36
Receipts for the year,.....	7,737 40
	\$19,884 75
Disbursements, including	
\$5,000 to Masonic Home,.....	\$12,513 95
Balance on hand.....	7,370 80

The Grand High Priest pays affectionate tribute to the dead of their own jurisdiction and briefly refers to those of sister Grand Chapters.

The Council of High Priests of Ohio met September 28, 1892, for the transaction of business, the Hon. J. W. CHAMBERLIN, President.

We give the excellent address of the President for the benefit of all High Priests:—

"Fifty-four years ago, in the city of Lancaster, in this State, was held the first meeting of High Priests of Ohio, for the purpose of organizing a Council. Barely enough companions were present to confer the Order. The annual meetings from that time to the present show that the Order has been steadily growing in numbers, until the list of those who have received the Order in this State, and which is published in the reprint of proceedings, now ready for distribution, contains nearly eleven hundred names.

"During the year that has just closed we have been called upon to mourn the loss of our loved Companion Rev. LAFAYETTE F. VAN CLEVE, Chaplain of this Council. On the 2d day of March last, he was stricken down in his home at Milford while preparing for an evening service to be held in the church where he officiated as pastor. While he was a zealous worker in all the branches of Masonry with which he was affiliated, yet he was warmly attached in an especial manner to our beautiful Order of High Priesthood. Many, very many of our companions will remember, at our annual meetings for years past, how fervently he exhorted and how earnestly he pleaded with our new companions to remember and practice the

lessons here enjoined upon them. He lived a life of good deeds and kind words to all. Upright in all his actions and zealous in all good works, his memory will be cherished by very many Masons, who knew him but to love him. His funeral services, conducted by the Grand Lodge of Ohio, were appropriately held on a beautiful Sabbath day.

"It had been intended that the companions of this Council should march as a separate body in the procession, but so few of the members being present, we united with the Grand Chapter.

"I would recommend that a committee be appointed to prepare a suitable memoir for publication in the proceedings of this session.

"Companion WILLIAM B. HILLMAN, Past Grand High Priest and Past President of this Council, died at his home in Cleveland, July 11, 1892.

"The committee appointed at your last meeting to have a reprint of the proceedings of this Council printed and bound, have performed the duty assigned them, and the copies are now ready for distribution.

"As the result of considerable correspondence had during the year, I have succeeded in obtaining a list of the names and addresses of the Presidents of the various Councils or Conventions of High Priests in this country, and the same has been incorporated in the reprint."

The Report on Correspondence is presented by S. STACKER WILLIAMS, Chairman, whose reputation as a reporter is A 1. In speaking of California, he says:—

"A few dispensations and commissions were issued. He advises the High Priests of Chapters to become 'dead-letter perfect' in the work, and that they also study style and manner in delivery and execution. He thinks banquets too expensive, but is willing that collations be indulged in. He reported having visited the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts, and is profuse in thanks to Grand High Priest and Grand Secretary SERAUNUS BOWEN for courtesies showered upon him. While upon this visit he became thoroughly imbued with the importance of having one or more of the degrees exemplified during the meeting of the Grand Chapter for the benefit of the members. On his return home he recommended that it be done in his Grand Chapter, and it was done under the leadership of Companion CASWELL, Grand Lecturer.

"As usual, the report of the Grand Secretary gave a very full account of his stewardship during recess of the Grand Chapter. An item of business presented by him discloses the fact that in that jurisdiction whenever a charter is revoked all its members are by 'operation of law' suspended, unless especially excepted in the resolution of revocation."

In noticing Connecticut, he says:—

"The Report on Correspondence covers seventy-two pages, embracing a review of all jurisdictions save two, and is from the pen of M. E. JOHN H. BARLOW.

"The Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of California decided in 1891, that in *all cases* the entire fee should accompany applications. Yet, in the *case of a minister*, the Chapter might *donate* an amount equal to the amount charged for the degrees, *after the degrees* are conferred. Comp. BARLOW holds this to be an easy way to set aside a regulation. We agree with Comp. BARLOW, and inquire if an amount may be donated *under such a cover* to a minister, may it not also be done in the case of a dancing master?"

Under Illinois Comp. WILLIAMS says:—

"The Grand Chapter of California was among the first to brand the so-called Cerneau organization as a fraud, and to adopt stringent measures to prevent its operations in her jurisdiction. We are glad to learn from a remark of M. E. Comp. PEARSON, under California, that he justifies that early action of the aforesaid Grand Chapter."

Comp. WILLIAMS sums up his review of Louisiana in the following language:—

"There is a short Report on Correspondence—not quite three pages. The receipt of the proceedings of *forty-eight* Grand Chapters is acknowledged—some of them for from two to four years. We are not surprised that the chairman of the committee, Rev. and M. E. Comp. HERMAN C. DUNOAN, quailed before the huge mass of matter, and gave forth as his opinion that a Report on Correspondence should be very different in its make-up from those usually found in proceedings of Grand Masonic Bodies. His idea now is that a report should be made up of extracts, and not of criticisms. Judging from our opinion of his build, we do not believe it possible for him to govern himself by such a rule. He gets away from it at the very

start under Ohio. After giving an account of the pretended '*withdrawal*' of a faction of *Horeb* Chapter, No. 3, from the Grand Chapter, he gives us plainly to understand that if any of these disturbers of the peace reach Louisiana, they may content themselves with a seat on the sidewalk, so far as he is concerned.

"One argument he uses against the usual report is a want of time on his part to prepare one, and we might guess also that he thought his Grand Chapter would not like to print one of the fashionable length. But, if so, our good friend *FINCKLAND* spoiled the argument, for he got a resolution through the Grand Chapter *removing the limit*.

"Now, if our good companion will only meet us in Denver next August, and join the 'Guild,' we will see to it that he is properly initiated. At all events, we welcome him to our circle, and congratulate his Grand Chapter upon having secured his services."

He comments, under Maine, upon one of Comp. *DRUMMOND*'s propositions that a "Representative must be a Past High Priest, and affiliated in one of the jurisdictions concerned." Comp. *WILLIAMS* says:—

"This is a good rule, and one we supposed to be in force generally already. While we were Grand Master in this jurisdiction we appointed no Representative without the above qualification, and we observed the rule rigidly in making recommendations for appointments near our Grand Lodge.

"He thinks the appointment should be *during pleasure*, but absence from an Annual Convocation, *unexplained* to the satisfaction of the appointing power, shall be deemed a resignation. We are not sure but that would be a good way to dispose of drones, for under this rule, rigidly enforced, many a head would drop.

"One object he has in view is to lessen the labor of the Grand Secretary, who has the commissions to issue. We are of the opinion that this rule would make it lively for this dignitary for awhile at least.

"His very valuable table of statistics is appended to his report. From it we learn that, at the date of its compilation there were in the *United States and Canada* 165,193 Royal Arch Masons. In Capitular population New York is first, with 16,145; Illinois second, with 13,274; Pennsylvania third, with 11,939; Ohio fourth, with 11,278; and Massachusetts fifth, with 11,198. The four at the bottom are the new, or comparatively new Grand Chapters of Arizona, 145; Indian Territory, 184; Nevada, 342; and North Dakota, 355."

Under the head of Michigan he comments upon the declaration of Comp. *INNES* that, "First and foremost Michigan does not recognize the Grand Representative system," and says:—

"He astonishes us! Michigan does not recognize the system. Is the Grand Chapter more *Michigan* than the Grand Lodge? We put this question for the reason that the Grand Lodge of Michigan does recognize and practice the system, and as a Grand Representative near his Grand Lodge, we find by a table prepared by his own skillful hand, that Comp. *INNES* is himself quite numerous in this line, bearing commissions from no less than *four Grand Lodges*. Surely Michigan *does* recognize the system. He also represents the Grand Council of California near his Grand Council."

Comp. *WILLIAMS*, chucking with Comp. W. C. *SWAIN*, of Wisconsin, says some funny things, among others this:—

"As a general thing when there is a difference between his views and ours, it is when there is a difference between a law of his jurisdiction and that of ours. So far as the Past Master's degree is concerned, personally we do not care a snap about it—who may confer it, who may sit in its meetings, or whether it is conferred at all or not. As conferred formerly in this jurisdiction it was a *burlesque*, and had not a *single redeeming quality*; as conferred now, there is a sign, a grip, and a word which may not be given to the profane—everything else about it may be printed in the manual or published to the world. Then why all this fuss about who may do it or see it done?

"He does not convince us of the propriety of using a second-hand charter. So upon this and a few other questions we must agree to differ.

"We admire his style of argument; it is free, open, frank, and fraternal. For compliments he pays our review we 'touch our tile.'"

We leave this report with regret for we have great admiration for the Masons of Ohio and their live ways.

The *M. E.* WILLIAM W. SAVAGE was re-elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* CHARLES C. KIEPER was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held in the city of Marietta, Sept. 29, 1893.

OREGON.

The thirty-second Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Oregon was held in the City of Portland, June 13, 1892,—the *M. E.* JAY TUTTLE, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the *R. E.* JAMES F. ROBINSON being Grand Secretary. There were present six Past Grand High Priests, fourteen Grand Representatives of other jurisdictions, and the representatives of twenty chartered Chapters.

The Grand High Priest delivered a brief address, in which he makes special mention of the death of their beloved Grand Secretary, Comp. ROOKEY PRESTON EARNHART, and to whose memory he paid eloquent and affectionate tribute. He also noticed the death of Comp. ANDREW NASBURN and Comp. FRELON JESSE BABCOCK, prominent and useful members of the Masonic family of Oregon. The "Grim Tyrant" has made the past year a memorable one to our neighbors, and impressed them in language not to be misunderstood with the uncertainties of human life.

The Grand High Priest was called upon for few decisions. No "burning questions" were presented, and no case of grievance obtruded itself to disturb the peace of his administration. No special dispensations were issued, and the special committee to whom his address was referred congratulated him and the Grand Chapter that none had been asked for. •

The following resolutions were passed in regard to the matter of honorary membership:—

"*Resolved*, That all companions in good standing in this Grand Jurisdiction, who have been contributing members to any subordinate Royal Arch Chapters therein for twenty years or more, may, at the option of the particular Chapter of which they are then members, be relieved from all charter dues, and that this Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Masons relieve the Subordinate Chapters from the payment of Grand Chapter dues on such members. *Provided*, That this resolution shall not affect companions who have heretofore been declared honorary members of Chapters, and also have been relieved from the payment of Grand Chapter dues.

"*Resolved*, That complimentary honorary members shall be so designated by this title, and shall not be mentioned in the alphabetical list of members or in the recapitulation of members, but shall be set apart by themselves in the report of the Subordinate Chapters, and upon whom no Subordinate Chapter or Grand Chapter dues shall be paid."

Comp. T. McF. PATTON presented the Report on Correspondence—an able and interesting review of the legislation of twenty-seven Chapters; his bright thoughts and independent comments giving full proofs of his fitness for the duties assigned him at the "eleventh" or any other hour.

He reviews California for 1891; compliments Comp. DAY in his address; makes reference to our distinguished dead (Past Grand High Priests HOLLUB and ABELL), and refers to the condition of our Grand Chapter as prosperous financially as well as in the work for which we are created. He has kind words and unstinted praise for the veteran CASWELL, and from legendary information and historical reference, diagnoses that distinguished companion's age at fully one hundred years, although with his estimate he gives Comp. CASWELL permission to amend the record, which he will no doubt do, as we understand he bathes frequently in the fountain of eternal youth, and it seems to agree with him.

We note the expressions of Comp. PATTON with satisfaction, although there be no "burning questions" to coax his machine into full action. Under Canada he says of Chairman ROBERTSON:—

"Our distinguished companion presents a very satisfactory report—if he did not he never would have shovelled the 'gray goose quill' in this department for so many years. We regret to have this declaration from one so thoroughly sound on other points:—

"'There is no sound rule for requiring Lodge membership to be a necessary qualification for Chapter membership. The Lodges are not complaining, then why should the Chapters voluntarily weaken themselves?'

"We are among those who see and think differently. Perhaps this is one of those things which Companion SWAIN would call 'our hobby.'"

Well, Comp. PATTON, suppose we call it "our" Pacific Coast hobby?

And under Illinois, writing of the Grand High Priest's Address:—

"He decided that the loss of a limb does not disqualify a brother from receiving the Chapter degrees, which the Committee on Jurisprudence disapproved, and the Grand Chapter sustained their report. This is a wild decision from Illinois. Perhaps Masonry is *progressive* in that locality."

Under Kentucky, he questions the "right to withdraw an objection." The Kentucky committee say:—

"An 'objection' may be withdrawn at any time; but a negative ballot can only be withdrawn in open Chapter not later than the next stated meeting, when the ballot must immediately be re-spread."

And Comp. PATTON comments:—

"We supposed that balloting in a Masonic Lodge was absolutely secret. When a negative ballot is cast, a rejection occurs, and is so declared and entered of record. If that negative ballot can be withdrawn and the ballot re-spread, where would this end? The second ballot might result as the first. In our practice a negative ballot is final for a definite period of one year."

And in reviewing Maine, he endorses Comp. DRUMMOND, and defines his position thus:—

"We heartily concur in the following as to installation after re-election. The District of Columbia having adopted a resolution dispensing with installation of officers re-elected, Companion DRUMMOND says:—

"We regret to see that a resolution was adopted providing that an officer re-elected or re-appointed need not be installed. Besides encouraging *slouchiness* in the business and work of the Chapter, the practice violates the Constitution, which provides for *annual* elections, because such officers hold office under their old election and installation, and *not under their re-election*. The performance is equivalent to voting that the officer hold over another year, and that no election or installation be had."

"It seems strange to us that any body as intelligent as that of the District of Columbia should reach such conclusions, but they have, and all that we can do or say will not change their action. Our custom is different."

And then the sublime assurance of the citizen "Webfoot" in daring to criticise the General Grand Chapter thus:—

"Whenever the General Grand Chapter becomes an actual governing body, it will amount to something and be a benefit to the Craft; but until it does, its usefulness is questionable. At present it governs nothing save a few subordinate Chapters among the islands of the sea or in heathen countries, or a few scattered among the new Territories. It is one of the best places we know of to attend triennially for a general good time. The books are full of fine descriptions of the festivities and amount of important legislation had for these few lone subordinates out in some way places, without father, mother, or even guardian. We love to attend these Triennial Conventions to see 'the boys'—those young chaps like JNO. H. BROWN, of Kansas; FREDERICK SPEED, of Mississippi; JNO. H. BARLOW, of the Nutmeg State; NOBLE D. LARNER, of the District of Columbia; JAMES W. STATION, of Kentucky; PALMER J. PILLANS, of Alabama, and a host of other young and frisky companions. We vote with the others for all reports and resolutions—in fact everything that is calculated to promote the welfare and prosperity of those subordinates owing allegiance to the General Grand Body. Indian Territory and Montana having become independent Grand Chapters, the responsibility is lessened to a great extent, and we confidently predict that the time is fast approaching when not more than three or four subordinate Chapters in the United States will owe direct allegiance to the General Grand Body."

Comp. PATTON, after reading the above, we doubted if you were alive; but later on we stumbled on the following, and, of course, a man who can appreciate the "social features" is fully alive, and we salute you as one who "enjoyed," and yet dared to tell:—

"The social features of the General Grand Chapter are first-class—could not be improved upon. Everybody that goes comes home delighted; his cup of happiness is running over, as he tells his companions of the cordial welcome and unbounded hospitality of the companions resident at the place of meeting. We have attended three triennial meetings and can bear testimony ourselves that the entertainments outside the General Grand Chapter sessions were on such a grand scale and so well managed that everybody was happy and voted them a success. Outside of these social features and the great pleasure of meeting the most learned and distinguished Masons of the land, the General Grand Chapter is not held as near and dear to the hearts of its constituent members as it should be."

The *M. E.* GEORGE E. CHAMBERLAIN was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* JAS. F. ROBINSON was elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held at Portland on Monday preceding the second Wednesday of June, 1893.

PENNSYLVANIA.

A Quarterly Convocation of the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania was held in Philadelphia March 5th, 1891,—the *M. E.* ALEXANDER H. MORGAN, Grand High Priest, presiding, the *R. E.* CHARLES E. MEYER being Grand Secretary. Forty Chapters were represented.

This is the ninety-sixth year (1891) of the existence of this Grand Chapter.

The Grand Chapter was opened in Solemn Form at seven o'clock and five minutes P. M.

General returns were received from a number of Chapters and Mark Lodges.

M. E. Comp. CHARLES E. MEYER was received and acknowledged as the Representative of the Grand Chapter of Quebec.

M. E. THOMAS R. PATTON was also received and acknowledged as the Representative of the Grand Chapter of Scotland.

The Committee on By-Laws reported, and the Grand Chapter was called off for the purpose of exemplifying the degree of Mark Master Mason.

A Lodge of Mark Master Masons was opened and the degree exemplified by the Grand Officers.

The Grand Chapter was called on and then closed at nine o'clock and twenty minutes P. M.

Quarterly Convocations were also held June 4th and September 3d.

An extra Convocation and fourth Quarterly was held on December 3d, 1891,—the *M. E.* ALEXANDER H. MORGAN, Grand High Priest, presiding. There were present eight Past Grand High Priests and twenty-seven Grand Representatives, among them the Representative of California, and the Representatives of eighty chartered Chapters.

The Finance Committee reported receipts for the year ending

November 20th, 1891, at.....	\$6,047 88
Which with balance on hand at commencement of year, of.....	1,728 90
Making total of.....	\$7,776 78
Disbursements—sundries.....	6,857 23
Leaving balance of.....	919 55
	\$7,776 78

In the appropriation for the succeeding year is this item: "For expenses of *M. E.* Grand High Priest, \$1,500.

The Committee on Work and Jurisprudence submitted the following amendment to the Constitution, which was adopted:—

"Life and Honorary Membership.—Page 32, Section 72. No Chapter shall confer the privileges of life membership for a less sum than *twenty-five dollars*, except as herein provided. Where a member has paid full annual dues for *twenty years*, he may be made a life member upon the payment of not less than *fifteen dollars*, should the by-laws so provide.

"A Chapter, as an acknowledgment of meritorious service for at least one term as its *M. E.* High Priest, or, to a member having paid full dues for *twenty-five years*, may grant the privilege of life membership without the payment of any fee, if provided for in the by-laws; but in either of such cases the motion therefor shall be made in writing at a stated meeting of the Chapter, and, upon being seconded, shall be read and entered upon the minutes and shall lie over until the next stated meeting when, if such motion shall receive a two-thirds vote in the affirmative, it shall be adopted. The members shall be notified of the pendency of such motion (1889).

"Chapters by their by-laws may provide for the election of any of its members an honorary member, but such election shall not exempt the member from the provisions of this section requiring the payment of a fee or a term of service to become a life member.

"Honorary membership may be conferred upon Royal Arch Masons, members of other Chapters, for meritorious services rendered to Royal Arch Masonry, but such an election shall not carry with it any of the privileges of active membership. The members shall be notified of the pendency of any motion relative to honorary membership, and in such case it shall require a two-thirds vote in the affirmative. The Chapter may recall such honorary membership at its pleasure (1891).

The *M. E.* ALEXANDER H. MORGAN was re-elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* CHARLES E. MEYER was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The ninety-sixth Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter was held at Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, Monday, December 28th, (St. John's Day, December 27th, its general time of meeting falling this year on Sunday), 1891,—the *M. E.* ALEXANDER H. MORGAN, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the *R. E.* CHARLES E. MEYER being Grand Secretary.

Before the Grand High Priest delivered his address a communication was read from Comp. WILLIAM J. HUGHAN, Representative, etc., near the Grand Lodge of England.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address, first making due acknowledgment to the giver of all good "Gifts and Graces," whose beneficence has given health and strength through the past year of pilgrimage, and returning thanks for their general exemption from disease and death so prevalent in other localities; he reports his visitations and the condition of Capitular Masonry in the jurisdiction, saying "that the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania, sovereign and independent in its sphere of action, continues to grow and increase with the passing years."

The State is divided into eight districts, each district being under the supervision of a District Deputy Grand High Priest, the county of Philadelphia being under the immediate supervision of the Grand High Priest himself.

Elegant steel engraved portraits accompany this volume of Past Grand High Priests MICHAEL NISBET and JAMES S. BARBER.

The Report on Correspondence is written by Companion STOCKTON BATES, and his report is so eloquently prefaced that we borrow from it to illustrate (for the benefit of companions in California) what manner of men these Pennsylvania Quakers are:—

"Again we take up the working tools and enter the quarries. Fortunately for us, we know that we shall find not only good, true and square work, but also beautiful work that we can use in our structure. While we trust that we, too, may have inspiration that may lead to the production of some worthy and graceful designs which may be submitted as our own and entitle us to reward, we are at least sure that there is no lack of good material in the regions we are about to prospect.

"One cannot but be impressed with the spirit of deep, religious feeling that manifests itself in the addresses of the Grand High Priests of the several jurisdictions. The solemn tones, rich in trustful dependence and adoration of the one true and living God, swell into a grand diapason that fills and reverberates through all the temples of Royal Arch Masons.

"From the summit and perfection of Ancient Craft Masonry in Pennsylvania, we look out over the landscape and see rising in beauty and majesty the peaks of sister heights. We know that in the quarries and on the mountains over this vast expanse are earnest workers, toiling, shaping and fitting for the builder's use materials for a living temple. We may not know any of these except by their marks; but, by these we do know them. So, all hail! fellow-craftsmen. 'There's a chiel among ye taking notes.'

"Time, that perverse contrivance made for slaves, that hurries when we would not, and lags when we would speed, menaces us."

He writes favorably of California, and sends friendly message to Comp. CASWELL, and says to him, "You have our sympathies, and may your right hand not forget its cunning. But hand or no hand, you go for the non-affiliates."

In reviewing Illinois, he hails Comp. PEARSON thus:—

"Comp. JOHN M. PEARSON, worthy member of the ancient and honorable fraternity of 'mutual admirationists!' All hail! We quote you under District of Columbia:—

"Under Massachusetts, referring to a decision of the Grand High Priest, that a blind man could not be received into the Chapter, he (Comp. SINGLETON) says, and we think correctly, on the ground that the question of physical qualification had already been passed upon by the Lodge, and losing his sight after being a Mason, should not hinder his advancement."

"And we want to add our little 'think' to yours and Comp. SINGLETON's, and say that we three do agree that the question of physical perfection should not be raised after the initiate has passed the ordeal of the symbolic degrees."

We dissent entirely, Comp. BATES. It does seem to us that in any degree in the system of Masonry, a Mason should be able to conform literally to what the several degrees require of him. Anything less is pretense, and leads to construction of law without precedent or authority, and is dangerous to the entire system.

Under the head of Kansas, he replies to Comp. BROWN on the life membership question thus, Comp. BROWN having written:—

"We regard life membership in any branch of Masonry as wholly out of place, and, where fostered or tolerated, tending only to demoralization and decay. That such is the fact, the Masonic history of those jurisdictions where it has obtained, or now does, will amply prove."

"Bless you, Comp. BROWN! It all depends! It all depends!"

"If a life membership fund is created, and to this fund is paid all life membership fees (it being, of course, provided that the cost for a life membership shall be such a sum, the interest on which in *perpetuo* will be an equivalent for annual dues), no harm can result either to the institution or its constituents. On the contrary, the results here in Pennsylvania have been eminently satisfactory. During what life insurance people call the productive period, the payment of a life membership fee is a comparatively light matter, but in the day when the 'sound of the grinding is low,' an annual tax becomes a burden too heavy to be borne."

Under Maine, Comp. BATES says, confidentially, of course, of Comp. DRUMMOND:—

"Some day, Comp. DRUMMOND, we want a word with you on the topical subject.

"As to the introduction of any *jeu d'esprit*, we quote your quotation from the divine of the olden days, who said:—

"'Wisdom without wit is meat without salt; and wit without wisdom is salt without meat.'

"And agree with you that, 'This gives a good rule for these reports.'"

In speaking of the able discussion between Comp. WATT of New Hampshire, Comps. CASWELL and DRUMMOND, relative to the relation of Chapters to Grand Chapters, he says, in language which expresses our views fully: "'Obedience to the

Master,' that is the thought 'as to its origin,' we must content ourselves with the expression that 'in the beginning men instituted the Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons,' 'no matter when,' 'no matter how.' We know, however, that everywhere over the globe Masons do acknowledge 'authority.' We give what he says:—

"Under New Hampshire, we should like to quote the entire matter relative to the relation of Chapters to Grand Chapters, and of Grand Chapters to the General Grand Chapter, but time and space both forbid. If there is any one subject in Masonry upon which the Masons of different jurisdictions get mixed on, it is this subject of allegiance.

"As the origin of Freemasonry is in the shadowy past, we must content ourselves with the expression that, 'In the beginning' men instituted the Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons, no matter when, no matter how. As shadowy as its origin is the idea of an unquestioned *ipse dixit*. Whether in the beginning these men voluntarily parted with what we now recognize as the 'consent of the governed,' or whether these dictatorial powers were assumed by the leaders, can never be known. We know, however, that everywhere over the globe Masons do acknowledge 'authority.' But this authority is itself subject to a higher and more widely diffused idea—that of the 'landmarks.'

"Obedience to the Master, that is the thought. The Master, however, must himself be obedient to the unwritten law, and be dependent upon the will and pleasure of the Grand Architect of the Universe."

Here is a neat thing which Comp. BATES says of Comp. BOWEN, of Nebraska:—

"And now we come to that bright, readable, meaty Report on Correspondence penned by that witty and able reviewer, Comp. WILLIAM R. BOWEN. We've never seen you, Comp. BOWEN, but you have done us an awful lot of good. We read your report through—well, almost every word of it—and enjoyed it hugely.

"But why do you call it an *attempted* review? You say;—

"Herewith is submitted an attempted review of the transactions of fellow Grand Chapters."

"Your cabalistic symbols, 63 : 26 | 27 : 725, looked at first like a challenge to an arithmetical trial of skill, but the product of the first and fourth terms would not equal the product of the middle terms no matter how we figured it, so we gave it up and read your report. From it we learned that:—

"The foregoing formula—'63 : 26 | 27 : 725'—means that we have before us the proceedings of the Grand Chapter of *Alabama*, which met *December 2, 1889*, in its *sixty-third* Annual Convocation, there being present *twenty-six* of the *twenty-seven* Chapters of the jurisdiction, which latter Chapters have *seven hundred and twenty-five* affiliated Royal Arch Masons in good standing; see! This scheme may bring to your minds DRAKE's 'S. T. 1860—X,' and reminds us of the criticism of Comp. A. V. H. CARPENTER on our attaching to a companion's name a numeral to indicate his Chapter. He said our plan reminded him *somehow* of Lieut. DREBY's engineering assistant, who, being detailed to measure with a pedometer a six mile route, danced a jig in a beer saloon, and recorded over three leagues. We seek to present information in condensed form, and think the above plan will answer our purpose if our readers will keep our interpretation in mind."

Comp. BATES says, in conclusion:—

"Now, that we are about to consign these leaves to the black and white of cold type, we confess to a mingled feeling of anxiety and pleasure. Though confident we have not 'set down aught in malice,' we realize that the expressionless page may turn a harmless witticism into a rancorous shaft.

"Our pleasure has been contributed to by those whom, 'though having not seen, we love.' We have toiled with them in the quarries and now bring our work up for inspection. Verily we have had our reward. We have worshiped with them and exclaimed: 'For He is good, for His mercy endureth forever.' We have traveled from Babylon to Jerusalem and offered our services without expectation of fee or reward. Now, companions, we lay aside our implements of labor and bid you farewell, hoping to meet you all again in good season."

The M. E. ALEXANDER H. MORGAN was re-elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. CHARLES E. MEYER was re-elected Grand Secretary.

QUEBEC.

The Grand Chapter of Quebec held its fifteenth Annual Convocation in the city of Montreal, January 26th, 1892,—the *M. E.* DAVID SNEATH, Grand Z, presiding, the *R. E.* JOSEPH MITCHELL being Grand Scribe E. Ten Chapters were represented.

The Grand Z. opens his Annual Address with the following invocation:—

"By your suffrages I am again permitted to welcome you to another Annual Grand Convocation. To some the year just past has been fraught with blessings, prosperity and happiness; to others it has brought misfortune and sorrow. Let us, here assembled, return thanks to our Almighty Father for again being permitted to meet each other around the altar, and to ask for His guidance to assist us in our deliberations, for the welfare of the Royal Craft in this jurisdiction.

"May this, our fifteenth Annual Grand Convocation, thus begun in order, be conducted in peace and closed in harmony."

He makes report of a pleasant visit, in company with several distinguished companions, to *Champlain* Chapter, No. 1, Vermont, where the delegation received a hearty welcome. They had an enjoyable visit, and anticipate a return visitation from their Vermont companions. Such neighborly occasional reunions are not only exceedingly pleasant to the participants, but are of real benefit to the fraternity.

He says in his "In Memoriam," death has again invaded our ranks, and "knocks alike at the cottage of the poor and palace of the rich." He gives a list of the names of their distinguished dead, with brief tributes to the memory of each.

He closes his Address as follows:—

"The record of my official acts I have placed before you. I can assure you that I will ever feel grateful for the very high honor you have twice conferred upon me. I may have made mistakes, and it so, kindly cover them with the mantle of charity.

"In a few hours another will be called upon to take my place, and I cannot sever my official connection with you without thanking every companion of the Grand Chapter and of the subordinate Chapters for their many courtesies. I wish that my pen could write what my heart feels towards you all.

"And may the Great I Am, before whom we must all hereafter appear, keep and guide us during our sojourn here below, and enable us to conduct the affairs of this Grand Chapter so that we may meet with His approval."

The Grand Superintendents of Districts presented their reports, which certainly show the jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Quebec to be in good, healthy, active, working condition.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows receipts for the year to be \$297.87; disbursements, \$269.25; balance on hand, \$606.44; balance in charity account, \$617.82.

In the paragraph below we find an officer mentioned of which we have had no previous knowledge, although it would seem to be applicable to the Australian ballot system. There is a good deal of "scrutineering" about that:—

"The election of Grand Officers was the next business. The *M. E.* Grand Z. requested *M. E.* Comp. I. H. STEARNS, *M. E.* Comp. J. H. GRAHAM, *M. E.* Comp. WILL. H. WHYTE, to act as scrutineers, and they reported the result of the ballot as follows:—

"*R. E.* Comp. A. D. NELSON, Grand Z.; *R. E.* Comp. E. R. JOHNSON, Grand H.; *R. E.* Comp. E. T. D. CHAMBERS, Grand J.; *R. E.* Comp. J. FRED WALKER, Grand Treasurer, re-elected; *R. E.* Comp. JOSEPH MITCHELL, Grand Scribe E., re-elected; *E. E.* Comp. W. E. COOPER, Grand Scribe N.; *E. E.* Comp. GEO. E. ROBINSON, Grand Principal Sojourner."

Comp. E. T. D. CHAMBERS, chairman of the committee, presented the Report on Foreign Correspondence, and for the information of those who desire to know the *status* of Royal Arch Masonry away from home, we copy the following from the opening to his report:—

"In obedience to the command of the *M. E.* the Grand Z, the undersigned, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, again takes up the pen and scissors and enters upon the preparation of a report upon the condition of Capitalist Masonry in those jurisdictions of the Masonic world that have favored us with copies of their proceedings.

"It is gratifying to note that prosperity and harmony abound in the various jurisdictions under review. There is scarcely anything to mar that Masonic peace that is as universal as the blue firmament above us. Upon the continent of America there is hardly a single Grand Chapter that cannot boast a gratifying increase in membership, while most of the southern jurisdictions report a general awakening of interest and revival of prosperity in the work of the Royal Craft. These are indications of improvement that are not without some measure of encouragement for those having at heart the true interests of Capitular Masonry. Yet the Royal Arch is far from occupying that place in the Masonic system to which it is entitled in consequence of its origin, its teachings, its objects and its importance. In numerical strength, as compared with other branches of Masonry, it leaves much to be desired.

"The Royal Arch degree was formerly controlled by the Masonry that is to-day that of the Grand Lodge. It is now the completion of the other's esoteric work. Why should this other manifest no further interest in the progress of its votaries, or in the completion of its own work? We would like to go further. But we forbear. We feel that we are upon delicate ground, and simply content ourselves for the present with giving expression to certain vague ideas which have suggested themselves to us, without formulating upon them any practical suggestions for Grand Chapter representation in favor of the exercise of friendly Grand Lodge influence.

"We should not have gone thus far but for our devotion to this most beautiful and most instructive branch of our Masonic system, and our desire to see removed some of the influences that improperly militate against it, but not more so than against the true interests of the Master Mason aspiring for further light in Freemasonry.

"Perhaps we should add, for the purpose of avoiding possible misconception, that nothing that we have herein written is intended to dissuade any of our Royal Arch companions from prosecuting their researches in other departments of Freemasonry as we have prosecuted ours."

Under California he gives favorable mention to the Address by Comp. FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, Grand High Priest, and proffers sympathy to Comp. CASWELL in his afflictions and hopes for his complete restoration. We can assure Comp. CHAMBERS that his hopes are fully realized, and Comp. CASWELL is to-day as good as new.

He has this notice of Comp. CASWELL and his work:—

"Comp. THOMAS H. CASWELL, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, submitted a report in which only about one-half of the proceedings received by him were reviewed. We regret to learn that the temporary crippling of his right hand and inflammation of the eyes prevented his completion of the work, which is the more to be regretted that Comp. CASWELL's reports are always amongst the most interesting that reach us. We sincerely trust that by this time he has fully triumphed over all the infirmities of the flesh in question. Quebec was one of the jurisdictions whose proceedings our good companion was unable to review."

Under Pennsylvania, in commenting on the Address of the Grand High Priest, he says:—

"It is not alone in Pennsylvania that the attention of the companions may profitably be directed to the large number of Master Masons who have never discovered the genuine secrets that were once lost, but may now be had for the searching by the diligent delver in the rich mines of Capitular Masonry. The same necessity must always exist, wherever, as in Quebec, companions are to be found, so much more interested in the success of other branches of Masonry than in the Chapter, that they make it a point to canvass the newly raised Master Mason to pass by the Royal Arch and to apply for membership in the so-called higher degrees."

The M. E. A. D. NELSON was elected Grand Z., and R. E. JOSEPH MITCHELL was re-elected Grand Scribe E.

RHODE ISLAND.

The ninety-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations was held in Freemason's Hall, Providence, March 8, 1892,—the M. E. GEO. H. KENTON, Grand High Priest, presiding, and R. E. WM. R. GUKENE being Grand Secretary. Eight Chapters were represented.

The *M. E.* GEORGE L. McCAHAN, Deputy General Grand High Priest, and the *M. E.* JOHN M. CARTER, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Maryland, were present, representing the General Grand Chapter, and were welcomed by the Grand High Priest.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address, alluding in feeling terms to the *M. E.* Past Grand High Priest NICHOLAS VAN SLYCK, whose death occurred March 3, 1892, and paid an eloquent tribute to his memory. He reported his visitations during the year, and congratulates the Grand Chapter that they are in the full enjoyment of peace and harmony.

We copy the following account of the appeal of the committee representing the General Grand Chapter, with the response thereto and the action thereon :—

"Upon invitation of the Grand High Priest, *M. E.* GEORGE L. McCAHAN, Deputy General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, addresses the Grand Chapter, stating that he bears the fraternal greeting of that Grand Body, of which we were formerly a constituent, and in a most kind and fraternal manner urges this Grand Chapter to renew its connection with the General Grand Chapter.

"*M. E.* JOHN M. CARTER, also representing the General Grand Chapter, follows with a most eloquent and fervent address, in which he most feelingly alludes to the great loss this Grand Chapter has sustained in the death P. M. E. NICHOLAS VAN SLYCK, and also urging a renewal of our former relations.

"On motion, it is voted, that the thanks of Grand Chapter be extended to *M. E.* Companions McCAHAN and CARTER for their very interesting and able addresses."

M. E. SAMUEL G. STINESS presented the following report :—

"Your committee to whom, at the Annual Convocation of 1890, was referred the communication from the *M. E.* General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the United States, inviting this Grand Chapter to become a constituent or subordinate of that *M. E.* Grand Body, respectfully report : That soon after its reference the matter was to some extent considered by the committee, though but little time was then given to it. The near approach of this Convocation, however, and the suggestion by the Grand Secretary that a report would be expected, directed the attention of the committee again to the subject. The committee was to have met on Saturday, the 5th inst. The sudden illness and subsequent death of the Chairman has, of course, prevented any action or consultation of the committee, and they ask further time. They also respectfully request that another member be added to the committee.

"On motion, it is voted, that the report be received, and the committee increased to five members, one of whom shall be the Grand High Priest.

"The *M. E.* appoints as the remaining members of the committee, *M. E.* Past Grand High Priests FIELD and RUGG."

The officers were elected and installed, the usual committees appointed, and the Grand Chapter closed. There is no report from Committee on Correspondence in this jurisdiction.

SCOTLAND.

We have received the proceedings of the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Scotland of the Quarterly Communication held in Freemasons' Hall, Edinburgh, March 2d, 1892; also the proceedings of the Supreme Grand Chapter and Committee for the year 1892-93; also special meeting of the Supreme Committee, held April 15th, 1892, and the quarterly meeting of the Supreme Committee, held June 8th, 1892;—the Right Hon. *M. E.* Comp. the Earl of Haddington, Grand Z, presiding (at the Annual Communication) and the *M. E.* Comp. R. S. BROWN being Grand Scribe E.

The Supreme Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form at 6 P. M. We select the following from the report of proceedings, the remainder being entirely of a routine character :—

"The minutes of the Quarterly Communication held on 2d of March, so much as applicable to the business of the meeting, were read, and the Grand Z. declared all the offices in Supreme Grand Chapter vacant, and proposed the Right Hon. Lord Saltoun for election as First Grand Principal for the ensuing year, which was unanimously agreed to with acclamation; and Lord Saltoun, being in attendance, a deputation, consisting of the Depute Grand Z., Grand Scribe N., and Grand Sword Bearer, were directed to retire and introduce his Lordship in due form.

"The First Grand Principal elect having been introduced and presented for installation by the Depute Grand Z., the Right Hon. the Earl of Haddington congratulated Lord Saltoun upon his election to the Throne of the Supreme Grand Chapter, and proceeded to install his Lordship in due and ancient form, the ceremony being conducted in a most perfect and impressive manner.

"Lord Saltoun, having been enthroned and saluted by the companions present, returned thanks for the honor conferred upon him.

"The other companions nominated for office were declared duly elected, and those present were duly installed and invested with the insignia of their respective offices by the M. E. Grand Z., the Right Hon. Lord Saltoun.

"Comp. EDW. MACLEAN, Grand Chancellor, presented his commission as Grand Representative from the Grand Chapter of Maine, U. S. A.; the commission was duly sustained, and Comp. MACLEAN received the hearty congratulations of the Supreme Grand Chapter on his appointment.

"The Supreme Grand Chapter having considered an application for a duplicate charter from the *Southern Cross* Chapter, Cape Town, No. 86, the original, along with the whole of the property of the Chapter, having been destroyed by fire on Sunday, the 21st of February, 1892, authorized the same to be granted.

"Petitions from three of the four Chapters in the South African Republic (Transvaal), recommending the appointment of M. E. Comp. Dr. T. P. O. MATHEW as Provincial Grand Superintendent for that Territory, were remitted to the Supreme Committee, with powers.

"The Supreme Grand Chapter was thereafter closed in ample and solemn form, and the companions adjourned to the large hall to celebrate the Festival of the Vernal Equinox; the Right Hon. Lord Saltoun, M. E. Grand Z., presiding, and Major F. W. ALLAN discharging the duties of Croupier."

The Officers of the Supreme Grand Chapter are the Right Hon. Lord Saltoun, First Principal, and the M. E. ROBERT S. BROWN, Grand Scribe E.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

The eighty-first Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of South Carolina was held in the city of Charleston, February 9, 1892,—the M. E. W. H. WITHEROW, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the R. E. J. E. BURKE being Grand Secretary. Sixteen Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address, welcoming the members of the Grand Chapter, inviting their co-operation in reviewing the work of the past year and devising plans for the future.

He paid an eloquent tribute to the memory of Past Grand Chaplain CONNER, whose death occurred July 12, 1891, when the "signet of death admitted him to the rest eternal."

The Grand High Priest also takes affectionate notice of the passage from the labors of life to eternal rest of the distinguished companions of sister jurisdictions, and gives his meed of praise for their faithful labors.

After stating the business before the Grand Body and referring the same to the proper committees, he refers to the meeting of the General Grand Chapter as an eminently successful Convocation, and pays unstinted compliments to the companions of the "Twin Cities" for their fraternal entertainment of their guests. Upon surrendering the authority entrusted to him, he invoked, on behalf of the assembled Grand Chapter, the blessing of the Great I Am upon their labors.

There is no Report on Correspondence in this jurisdiction.

The M. E. W. H. WITHEROW was re-elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. J. E. BURKE was re-elected Grand Secretary.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

The M. E. Grand Chapter of South Dakota held its third Annual Convocation in the city of Sioux Falls June 16th, 1892,—the M. E. Wm. J. McMAXIN, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the R. E. Geo. A. PETTIGREW being Grand Secretary. Twenty-three Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address, returning thanks to the Supreme High Priest for the preservation in health of the members of the Grand Chapter, and tendering their sympathy to the bereaved Chapters who mourn the loss of many honored companions.

He speaks encouragingly of the condition of Capitular Masonry in their new State, and predicts for them, confidently, a prosperous future. He recites his official acts and concludes by returning the authority entrusted to him with his heartfelt wish for the welfare of the Grand Chapter of South Dakota.

The Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, Comp. Geo. A. PETTIGREW, Grand Secretary, presents an able report reviewing forty-six Grand Chapters, giving liberal extracts from their proceedings and commenting generally upon proposed legislation.

California is favorably noticed, regret expressed at the temporary loss of Comp. OASWELL from the reporter's circle, and the hope expressed that his absence may be brief. Our legislation is generally approved.

In reporting Canada he makes this suggestion which, as it would be a "new departure," we give here:—

"The Grand Jurisdiction is divided into eleven districts, presided over by Grand Superintendents, and a report was given from each district; also a report of considerable length was given from the Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter to Canada, near the Grand Chapter of Vermont. It is seldom that one of these reports is found in any of the proceedings of the Grand Chapters, and it seems to the writer a very good plan if they could be received from each jurisdiction. It would give a full synopsis of the proceedings of each Grand Jurisdiction, and they might be collected and given in the place of the Report of Correspondence, in which case the Craft in general would know the condition of Capitular Masonry throughout the world."

In his notice of Iowa he says this:—

"In the report on Foreign Correspondence South Dakota receives a two-page mention. He takes us to task for securing a book-case costing \$15.00 with \$872.00 in the treasury. Let me say, companions, that it is better to have it this way than to pay \$872.00 for a book-case and have \$15.00 in the treasury, as we notice the plan of procedure in some of the Grand Chapters."

And in reviewing New York, he remarks:—

"The Report on Foreign Correspondence was submitted by Comp. GEORGE J. GARDNER, who evidently possesses attainments of a high literary order which enables him to give us a most admirable *resume* of the work done by forty-eight Grand Jurisdictions; South Dakota comes in for a goodly share.

"As we read the comments on the typographical beauty of our last report, we feel flattered; but, we would, Comp. GARDNER, that when you were handling the 'stick' as a compositor or being chased about the office as a 'printer's devil' that you had become imbued with the idea that *good work, square work*, can be done even in this 'wild and woolly west.' If you don't believe that any good can come out of South Dakota, we will answer as was answered once of old, 'come and see.' Remember it is no longer necessary for him that would become proficient in the 'art preservative of all arts' to hang around the 'frog pond' on Boston Common or rustle around one of the large printing offices in New York city.

"We extend a most cordial invitation to you to satisfy yourself that in this case there are tricks in all trades but ours."

Comp. PETTIGREW has given a very readable and interesting report, a fair index of the legislation of the year under the jurisdiction of the General Grand Chapter. He has evidently decided upon the system of collecting and reporting all important

official acts and decisions which may be important as precedents, commenting only for the purpose of throwing light upon the question under discussion to explain the different methods and practices of the jurisdictions, with no effort at controversy with other Correspondents, as it is expressed by Comp. LAUGHLIN of Arkansas. We notice that this idea prevails with many of the Chairmen of Correspondence.

The *M. E.* EDWARD B. BRACY was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* GEO. E. PETTIGREW was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held in the city of Yankton Thursday, June 15th, 1893.

TENNESSEE.

The sixty-third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Tennessee was held at Nashville January 25th, 1892,—the *M. E.* ALEX. C. ROBESON, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the *R. E.* W. A. CLENDENING being Grand Secretary. Fifty-three Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address. He notes the death of Past Grand High Priest ROBERT I. CHESTER, and pays fraternal tribute to his memory. After reporting the routine business of the Grand Chapter he concludes as follows:—

“In conclusion, companions, let us thank God and take courage. Masonry is doing a grand work. Its accomplishment is slow, perhaps, and sometimes its progress is discouraging, but the moral tone of our Order is far in advance of that of a few years ago. Corrupt men occupy high positions in Church and State, and they may be found, perhaps, even in the ranks of the Royal Craft, but the high moral and religious standard established by Masonry is having a salutary influence on such as can be restrained and reformed, while the openly licentious, profane and intemperate seldom knock at our doors.

“And now, at the close of my official career, realizing that it might have been more satisfactory, but unconscious of having done anything to bring discredit upon the office I hold or to sully the name or honor of the Royal Craft, permit me to thank you again for the gift of the high office I am soon to resign, to express the hope that wisdom and brotherly love may sit in all your Councils, and that the blessings of Heaven may rest upon you all.”

The Committee on Jurisprudence made a report from which we make this extract:—

“The committee have had their attention called to the absence, year after year, of a Report on Correspondence, as required in the by-laws of this Grand Chapter, Paragraph VII, Section 5. They are unanimously of the opinion that a carefully prepared Report on Correspondence will be an invaluable educator of our subordinates, and will maintain the dignity of this Grand Body in the sisterhood of Grand Chapters.

“We therefore recommend that the Committee on Correspondence to be appointed by the incoming Grand High Priest, be required to present such a report to the Convocation of 1893.

We note that subsequently the Excellent Comp. GEORGE O. CONNOR, was named as Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence. A very appropriate appointment. Now look out for the next report from Tennessee—we predict that it will come to the front with the impress of G. C. CONNOR upon every page.

The *M. E.* JOHN B. GANETT was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* W. A. CLENDENING was re-elected Grand Secretary.

VERMONT.

The seventy-fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Vermont was held at Burlington June 17th, 1892,—the *M. E.* GEO. W. WING, Grand High Priest, presiding, and *R. E.* WARREN G. REYNOLDS, Grand Secretary. Twenty-six Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address. He paid an eloquent and feeling tribute to the distinguished dead of his own and neighboring jurisdictions, and reviewed the business of the Grand Chapter and the General Grand Chapter. He congratulated the companions on the very large attendance at this Grand Convocation, which, in his opinion, was the largest ever held, and also mentioned the fact that every Grand Officer was present except Comp. EMORY TOWN, who had "joined the silent majority" since the last Grand Convocation, and closed his address by expressing his appreciation of the courtesies extended to him during his administration of office.

Comp. MARSH O. PERKINS presented the Report of the Committee on Correspondence. He reviews California and talks of our doings as follows:—

"The Grand High Priest pays beautiful tribute to the memory of two great pillars in Masonry, both Past Grand High Priests, who had answered 'the summons of Him calling' during the year, viz: *M. E. ADOLPHUS HOLLIS* and *M. E. ALEX. GURDON ABELL*. The name of the latter is a Masonic household word. For thirty-five years he was Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of California, and in that capacity he was regarded, 'the wide world over,' as a man of marked ability, and the right man in the right place. Born in 1818, the seventy-two years of his career exceeded the time allotted to man's earthly existence. He had been the recipient of the highest honors in the power of the Lodge and Chapter to bestow, and in 1876 he was chosen Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter. He had also stood at the head of the line in the Grand Commandery of his adopted State.

'When such men as he die,
Their places ye may not well supply,
Though ye among thousands try
With vain endeavor.'

"Comp. FRANK DOWNING TUNIS, expelled by Grand Chapter April 12th, 1882, was at this Convocation restored to all his rights and privileges as a Royal Arch Mason; the Grand Chapter of Arizona was fraternally greeted; the Grand High Priest was authorized to subscribe, in the name of the Grand Chapter, for one hundred shares of the capital stock of the Masonic Temple Association; a charter was granted Orange Chapter, U. D., to be located at Santa Ana, Orange County; and the minimum fees for the degrees was reduced from fifty dollars to thirty.

"The Grand Secretary, *R. E. THOMAS H. CASWELL*, presents the Report on Correspondence, a masterly review of twenty-five Grand Bodies, a crippled hand and trouble with his eyes having prevented the completion of his work. Vermont unfortunately was not reached before he succumbed to his afflictions. Sincerely hoping that health and strength have been fully restored to him, we extend him fraternal greetings and sympathy from Vermont, and await his visit another year with pleasant anticipations."

In his review of Georgia he gives this fraternal notice with his congratulation upon their progress:—

"The record of the year shows that Georgia has fully entered upon a new era of prosperity, and Vermont extends congratulations. No less than five dormant Chapters were resuscitated, and charters were granted for five new ones. Credit is given for the great work to the excellent Grand Secretary, Comp. A. H. WOLHIN, who has, says the Grand High Priest, 'at the sacrifice of his time and means, traveled and worked in behalf of the cause all over the jurisdiction with success attending his every effort.' The Grand High Priest, himself, was by no means idle, and both received the hearty thanks of their companions for their valuable services. Past Grand High Priests' jewels were also voted these two Most Excellent companions and *M. E. Comp. WILLIAM A. GRAHAM*, Vermont's distinguished Representative in the Councils of Georgia's Royal Craftsmen."

We take the following from his comments upon the proceedings of Iowa:—

"Iowa still retains the Cryptic degrees within the Chapter circle, notwithstanding the efforts of intelligent Craftsmen to place them where they belong, and the apparent desire of a majority of the Chapters that the Councils and Chapters be separated. Evidently the dose of amalgamation was thoroughly swallowed, and has become as thoroughly assimilated.

"Fraternal greeting was accorded the Grand Chapters of Arizona and Montana; a charter was granted *Troy Chapter, U. D.*; an elaborate code of laws was adopted; the subject of a Masonic Home was indefinitely postponed; membership in the 'German Body of Scottish Rite' was declared a Masonic offense; and Grand Chapter was closed after a 'love-feast' of the Grand Representatives, led by Comp. PARVIN.

In his review of Michigan he notes this decision:—

"The following decision of the Grand High Priest, and sustained by the Grand Chapter, was made in answer to the question whether companions in Michigan can sit in a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Canada while the degree is being conferred on five candidates at one and the same time:

"The General Grand Chapter of the United States and the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of this State, being in relations of amity with the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada, it is proper for the companions of this State to visit our Canadian companions, and the Royal Craft of Canada have the right to confer the degrees as they see fit and proper, as that is a matter over which they have exclusive control.

Of Nebraska he says this:—

"The High Priest of *Kearney Chapter* attempted to interfere with the freedom of the ballot by passing the box no less than six times on the petition of a candidate, and using threatening language. The Grand High Priest very properly arrested the jewel of the offending officer, and placed the Chapter in the hands of the King. The Grand Chapter emphatically expressed its approval of *M. E. Comp. Young's* action, and pronounced the offense to be 'of the worst character—a great injury to the Order,' but failed to adopt the recommendation of the committee that the offender be further punished. Seemingly a striking inconsistency."

The *M. E. GEORGE W. WING* was re-elected Grand High Priest, and *R. E. WARREN G. REYNOLDS* was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held in the city of Burlington, June 16th, 1893.

VIRGINIA.

The eighty-fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Virginia was held in the city of Richmond, October 11, 1892,—the *M. E. GEORGE W. WRIGHT*, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the *R. E. WM. B. ISAACS* being Grand Secretary. Twenty-two Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered a fervent and eloquent Address, congratulating the assemblage of so able a body of Masons to devise and deliberate upon measures for the prosperity and welfare of our beloved order and brotherhood. He expressed the hope that the present session would be characterized by such fervency and zeal in the great work that the Convocation would prove a fountain of influence from which should flow increased interest in Capitular Masonry, and he welcomed all to the eighty-fifth Convocation in their new home.

He reported that several questions of minor and secondary importance had been submitted and answered, but as the principles involved were covered by the Digest, he deemed it inadvisable and unnecessary to report them at this time.

In his obituary memorial he noticed the death of several prominent and honored companions who had been called hence during the year, and paid a feeling and eloquent tribute to their memories.

Under the head of a "Masonic Home," he says: "Our Temple has been about completed, and now, companions, let us turn our attention to the maintenance of such a home as shall be a living monument to the intelligent, humane and noble-hearted companions within our fold."

An invitation was presented to the Grand Chapter by the General Grand Chapter of the United States, through its proper officers, to unite with and become a part of that august body for the general good of Royal Arch Masonry. The invitation was referred to the Committee on the Address of the Grand High Priest, who reported, and their report was concurred in by the Grand Chapter, as follows, to wit:—

"Your committee have carefully considered the invitation of the General Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the U. S. A., and have had the pleasure of a special conference with the distinguished representatives of that Grand Body, and, while we fully appreciate their appeal, yet we unanimously agree that it is inexpedient for the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Virginia to become a constituent member of the General Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the United States of America."

The annual statement of the Grand Treasurer, as prepared by the Board of Trustees, was examined and adopted, in substance as follows: Sundry receipts for the year, \$1,612.08; disbursements, \$1,612.08. Assets—Deposits in bank, bonds and stock, \$1,300.

There is no Report on Correspondence. What is the matter with "Old Virginia?" No reasons are assigned for keeping aloof from the national organization, "The General Grand Chapter," and no Report on Correspondence. This veteran Grand Body, in justice to itself, "should conform to the will of the majority, for the benefit of the whole."

District Deputy Grand Lecturers were appointed from the ten districts into which the State is divided. The system seems to work well and insures thorough supervision in the jurisdiction.

The Grand Secretary, *R. E.* WM. B. ISAACS, is an accomplished gentleman, a thorough Masonic scholar, the major portion of whose life has been devoted to Masonry in Virginia. The Grand High Priest gives him this complimentary send-off:—

"I cannot but express my appreciation of the services and sympathy and interest of the Grand Secretary. The Convocation of Virginia may well feel proud that she has such a valuable member and assistant as my honored and esteemed friend and our Grand Secretary, WM. B. ISAACS. He has been as both AARON and HUR holding up the hands of your Chief, and assisting and directing wherever necessary, by his timely advice and suggestions. And now, as he is fresh from a trip to the Pacific, buoyed up with the bracing air of the Rockies, he is able and willing to lend a helping and guiding hand to my successor as he has extended to me and my predecessors."

"Long may he live and his influence and presence be felt in our Masonic gatherings."

The *M. E.* LEWIS JEFFRIES was elected Grand High Priest, and the *R. E.* WM. B. ISAACS was re-elected Grand Secretary.

This Grand Chapter was closed until such time as may be determined by the Grand Council, and then to meet in the city of Richmond.

WASHINGTON.

The *M. E.* Grand Chapter of Washington held its eighth Annual Convocation in the City of Spokane, June 17, 1892,—the *M. E.* JACOB H. BELLINGER, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the *R. E.* YANCY C. BLALOCK being Grand Secretary. Sixteen Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Address, acknowledging with heartfelt thanks the blessings conferred upon them for the year past. He notes the death of Past Grand High Priest ANDREW MCCALLEY, and pays a glowing tribute to his memory.

He makes a thorough business report in detail of the business of the Grand Chapter, and in conclusion says:—

"Before concluding, I ask your indulgence and avail myself of this opportunity to express my thanks and appreciation to the Grand Officers and companions of this Grand Body for their uniform kindness and courtesy toward me while I have held the emblem of authority of Grand High Priest, and I especially desire to state that I am under great and lasting obligations to *R. E.* Companion BLALOCK, Grand Secretary, for the assistance he has rendered me in the many details attendant on my position, and the prompt attention he has given all correspondence from my office."

Comp. YANCEY C. BLALOCK, Chairman of Committee on Correspondence, presented his report. In his review of Arkansas, notwithstanding his modesty, he "blurted out" the following sensible comment:—

"The Grand Chapter declined to grant the following, which we believe is, as it should be, as no Blue Lodge that we know of will suspend or expel a Mason if he is unable to pay his dues. Our opinion is, if a Mason will not help to furnish nourishment for the 'roots and trunk' of Masonry by paying dues in Blue Lodge, he should not be allowed to sit in the branches and eat Royal Arch or Knight Templar fruit. We hope it will soon be the law in our own jurisdiction. We were formerly of a different opinion, but upon due investigation, have changed our mind.

"TO THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, LITTLE ROCK, ARK.:—

"Resolved, By Van Buren Chapter, No. 3, Royal Arch Masons, that the M. E. High Priest of this Chapter, Companion H. G. HAINES, be, and he is hereby requested to ask the M. E. Grand Chapter to reconsider its action at its last Grand Convocation, requiring that members of R. A. Chapters shall be affiliated members of some Masonic Blue Lodge."

He has kind words for California and Companion DAY's Address, alludes regretfully to Comp. CASWELL's retirement, and trusts that "his good right hand may regain its cunning," that he may be heard from again.

Comp. BLALOCK reproduces our Regulation Twenty-one, and remarks significantly, "There must have been trouble in camp."

No, Comp. B., no trouble. We avoided that by the adoption of the Regulation. The trouble is with the Cerneanites.

Comp. BLALOCK's opinion, as expressed in his review of Kentucky, is pertinent; but we fear the proposed remedy is hardly severe enough. However, let the spanking go on.

"Our opinion is that the Chapter should not meddle with the matter unless it is compelled to in self protection; but when the Lodge takes action, then stand by and take a hand if necessary; and if the child gets arrogant, take it across the knee and chastise it as it deserves."

In his review of Missouri, Comp. B. defines his position. It seems he belongs to the Regulars—"no sugar pills in his'n." Comp. MAYO complimented him on his familiarity with the scalpel and caustic, and predicted his success as a *scalper*. He returns thanks in these words:—

"We thank Comp. MAYO for his left-handed compliment, and assure him that we are of the 'regular school' in medicine, and although we may have been homœopathic in our first report, we hope he will be satisfied, as we are young and have plenty of time to learn. Although we are an M. D., we do not think we are one of the aggressive kind, hence we will keep our scalpel in its case and our caustic in its roll for use in the private office, and will content ourselves with the administering a medium dose (to the Guild) once a year until we are certain of our diagnosis and have the case well in hand. Our case is a very important one, and requires numerous consultations from its many changes."

The M. E. WILLIAM MICKEN was elected Grand High Priest, and the R. E. YANCEY C. BLALOCK was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held in the City of Tacoma, June 16, 1893.

WISCONSIN.

The forty-second Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Wisconsin was held in the city of Milwaukee February 16th, 1892,—the M. E. HORACE E. MANN, Grand High Priest, presiding, and the R. E. JOHN W. LAFLIN being Grand Secretary. Sixty-five Chapters were represented.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address; he extended to all a hearty and fraternal greeting, not neglecting his opportunity to give the "Badger State"

and the great Northwest a lift. He presents a review of the general business of the Grand Chapter, and closes with this allusion to the General Grand Chapter and the Masons of St. Paul and Minneapolis:—

"July 22d, 1891, the General Grand Chapter of the United States convened at Minneapolis. Very much to my regret no other member of the Grand Council was able to attend. Comp. F. E. NOYES having received the proxy of Comp. BARDEEN, attended in his stead. Comps. PULFORD, KING and SWAIN, however, were present, and through their united efforts we succeeded in electing Comp. SWAIN to the office of Grand Royal Arch Captain of that august body, an honor which he richly deserves, and an office which he will adorn, and thus honor the Grand Chapter which he represents.

When we consider the material of which that Body is composed, all of the members being Past Grand Officers, and all qualified to fill the most exalted stations in Capitular Masonry, this is an achievement of which this Grand Chapter may well feel proud; and I take this opportunity to thank the companions who so ably and persistently stood by the banner of the Badger State until we carried off the prize. The General Grand Chapter had read before it the report of the Committee on Ritual, which was adopted, and which I am happy to state is almost identical, word for word, with that which has been in use by us for a number of years.

"The companions of the Twin Cities left no stone unturned to make our stay a pleasant one; all doors were open wide, and the Craft and people generally of both cities seemed determined to make every member desire to return.

"If the Masons of Minneapolis and St. Paul are a fair representation of the social and business interests of those cities, it is no wonder they have achieved such a peerless place in the galaxy of stars that are rising to illuminate the mountains and prairies of the great Northwest.

"No funds of the Grand Chapter have come into my hands during the last year. I have signed orders on the Grand Treasurer for various amounts, which will appear in the reports of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary.

"Companions, I now return to you the sacred trust which you placed in my hands one year ago. It is useless for me to try to express, by words, my thanks for that high honor; an honor which is far above priceless jewels, and one of which any man, no matter how high his station, may well be proud."

Before closing the Grand Chapter the following resolution was unanimously adopted:—

"*Resolved*, That this Grand Chapter recognizes the dignified, fraternal and earnest manner in which our retiring Grand High Priest, Comp. HORACE E. MANN, has presided over our deliberations. That his careful attention to the interests of Capitular Masonry in this jurisdiction, during the past year, is worthy of our commendation. That in token of our regard for him, and our appreciation of his services, the Grand Secretary is hereby directed to procure a Past Grand High Priest's jewel, to be presented to our esteemed companion at our next Annual Convocation."

The report of the Obituary Committee was as follows:—

"Since our last regular Convocation, we are called upon to mourn the loss of forty-four of our worthy companions. They all deserve from us more than a passing remembrance, because to be a worthy companion Royal Arch Mason, means the desire on the part of the Craftsman to be a representative of the noblest work in creation, a true man, and such men need never fear of going into the presence of Him, in whom every Mason is early taught to put his trust. We, therefore, not sorrowing as men without this hope, encouraged by their example to cheerfully continue in every Masonic service, would respectfully recommend that sufficient space in our published proceedings be set aside to the memory of our deceased companions.

"The roll of distinguished companions of sister jurisdictions, who have passed to the great beyond, is unusually large. Their virtues are commemorated and memories cherished by the companions of their respective jurisdictions. We would, however, make especial mention of Past General Grand High Priest ALFRED F. CHAPMAN of Boston, Massachusetts; of ALBERT PIKE, whose fame as a Mason is not confined to any land or clime, and of IRA BERRY of Maine, whose life of four score years and ten was one of devotion to and labor for the interests of Freemasonry. May their bright example incite us to nobler deeds and more earnest labor for the Fraternity they loved so well."

The Hon. WILLIAM C. SWAIN, Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, presented his ninth Annual Report. He commences by exclaiming (after reading the proceedings of sister jurisdictions): "There is nothing new under the sun." No burning question at issue—nothing to do but be good boys, say our prayers, and go to Sunday school regularly.

He first bids welcome to Arizona into the family of Grand Chapters, and passes to California. He evidently has heard of Comp. FRANK DAY, Grand High Priest, and thinks him a pretty good man, and approves his decisions generally.

He thinks the system proposed by this resolution a better protection to Chapter funds than any other, viz:—

"Resolved, That the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary be and are hereby authorized and directed to furnish the necessary bonds required by the Constitution through some of the assurance or indemnifying associations organized for that purpose, and that the expense thereof be paid out of the general fund of the Grand Chapter."

He says of him of the reverend countenance:—

"When CASWELL gets into theology, he distinguishes himself. We plead ignorance and decline to answer the following questions, though we will admit they were not asked of us:

"St. Paul, my dear companion, was tolerably level-headed, as the average man went in his time, but he was by no means infallible. The sparrow's fall and the numbering of hairs are merely figures of speech to illustrate the omniscience of the Deity. Do you believe that the Almighty cares a brass farthing whether your head or mine is covered with a luxuriant capillary growth or is bare as a billiard ball? Do you believe that He spends His time watching sparrows while He is hurling millions of worlds through space and guiding them safely on in their respective orbits? We, for one, do not; nor do we believe that He cares for one moment for the old, battered and shattered caskets of clay in which He enshrined a spirit or soul of man, after that spirit has departed from it.

"We hope the carbuncle will not interfere with a full report next year, and that Wisconsin will not be forgotten."

Under Colorado we notice a decidedly profane allusion to the Grand High Priest, viz:—

"The Grand High Priest was not present at the opening, not having finished his cigar (so we assume), but after that the Grand Captain of the Host informed him that the Grand Royal Arch Chapter was opened and awaited his presence, and CRYLON E. OLIN, Grand High Priest, was admitted and received with the Grand Honors."

Comp. E. L. N. FOSTER is Chairman of Correspondence in Colorado, and criticises the Grand High Priest in terms that might furnish the basis of a Court Martial in some countries, upon certain forms and ceremonies indulged in by the Grand Chapter of Colorado. He says:—

"He personally agrees with Comp. CASWELL, and with ourself, that the Colorado method of opening the Grand Chapter—by the Deputy, who then announces the fact to the Grand High Priest, who is then received with the Grand Honors—is an innovation, and aping the Knights Templar."

He says of Iowa:

"The Report on Correspondence is dished up with piquant sauce by Comp. THOMAS R. ERCANBREACK.

'He sauced our broth
As Juno had been sick and he her dicter.'

"He makes dry spirits interesting and puts spirit into a mug of milk and water. He could turn DRUMMOND's statistical table into poetry if he chose."

We quote his opening as a specimen of his style:—

"There is no 'burning question' before the Capitular world. The breasts of Royal Arch Masons are not moved by any swelling tide of emotion. To all intents and purposes they are lying down in green pastures by the side of still waters.

Their souls are fully restored. Their confidence, the staff on which they have so long leaned, is perfect. And your committee has not been called upon to state anything in this report except the unruddled manner in which the current business in the various jurisdictions is being done, and the exceedingly healthy condition of Capitular affairs throughout the American continent.

"As there were no 'burning questions' he didn't discuss them. We suggest to him, though, that he should have discussed them just the same, and he would have found the advantage of not being hampered by facts."

Regarding the right of a Grand Chapter to expel one of its own members, a right that the Grand Chapter of California has exercised, in the case of Comp. TUNIS, Comp. SWAIN says:—

"We give one more quotation, because, although the question has already been thoroughly discussed, it is an important one—the right of a Grand Body to expel one of its own members, several writers claiming that the right lies only in the subordinate. The Grand Lodge of Wisconsin, and that of Minnesota, have both claimed and exercised that right, and it has never been questioned in either case. Comp. DRUMMOND sustains it."

Here follows Comp. DRUMMOND's opinion in reply to Comp. SCHULTZ, historian of Maryland:—

"In that jurisdiction (or any other) *does* 'control over rights of membership lie absolutely with subordinate Chapters?' If his Lodge expels a member from all the rights of Masonry, isn't his membership in the Chapter terminated? And can the Chapter in the least degree control it? The argument, therefore, that because an expulsion from the rights of Royal Arch Masonry terminates his membership in the Chapter, a Grand Chapter cannot expel a member, has no force. Neither the Lodge nor the Grand Chapter can interfere directly with the membership of a Mason in his Chapter, but it does not thereby follow that either of them may not do an act, the consequence of which is to affect his Chapter membership.

"Therefore what follows really admits our position. He was not expelled from membership in a subordinate Chapter, which we grant could not have been done in terms, but he was expelled from all the rights and benefits of Royal Arch Masonry, an act which, under the circumstances, the Grand Chapter had ample authority to do. Because the Chapter derives its authority in matters of discipline from the Grand Chapter, which has never granted to a subordinate the power to punish contempt of the Grand Chapter; the Chapter may have exclusive jurisdiction over Masonic offenses, and yet have no authority of contempt of the Grand Chapter; in this very case, the Chapter might have disciplined the party for the unmasonic offense of drunkenness, if the Grand Chapter had not already expelled him, *not* for his unmasonic conduct in *getting drunk*, but for coming into the Grand Chapter while he was drunk, and thus becoming in contempt of the Grand Chapter."

In his review of Kentucky, discussing the legality of the revision of the Constitution of that jurisdiction, he clips the following from the Address of the Grand High Priest, defining his opinions on the Cerneau fraud:—

"While the question of legitimacy or illegitimacy of 'Cerneau' Masonry is not essential to the determination of the matter in hand, still it is manifest that no difficulty, trouble or question would have arisen in regard to the 'new Constitution' except for the reason that this much-vexed and vexatious question was attempted to be settled by Sections 3 and 4, Article I. So-called 'Cerneauism' is a self-styled, self-created, schismatic body that only needs to be investigated properly to be condemned promptly by all good and true Masons.

"From the time that JOSEPH CERNEAU was imported or migrated from Cuba in 1806 to this country, up to 1867, serious difficulties and disturbances have marked the course of 'high grade' Masonry.

"More recently the so-called 'Cerneau Rite,' which is the illegitimate offspring of the Cuban adventurer, has reared its hydra-headed form and began to do battle against the only legitimate and properly constituted Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite within the territory pre-empted and controlled by the Northern and Southern Jurisdictions. That this pestiferous and venomous reptile should be stamped out, all regular Masons, who are properly informed, should and doubtless will agree; but in attacking the enemy we should be careful not to wound or harm our own people."

Comp. SWAIN writes a most interesting report, and his jurisdiction is an important one. The great Northwest is making itself felt in the different branches that make up the life of the nation, both secular and Masonic. We salute Wisconsin.

The M.: E.: CHARLES V. BARDEAU was elected Grand High Priest, and the R.: E.: JOHN W. LAYLIN was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The next Annual Convocation will be held at Milwaukee, February 21, 1893.

CONCLUSION.

While writing the closing pages of this Report, we have received from Comp. CHRISTOPHER G. FOX, General Grand Secretary of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, the melancholy information of the death of M.: E.: JOSEPH POTTS HORNER, General Grand High Priest and the representative head of Capitular Masonry in the United States. His death occurred at his home in New Orleans, La., January 24, 1893.

And from the Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Indiana we receive the mournful intelligence of the death of the M.: E.: EDWARD S. ROSS, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Indiana, who died February 7, 1893; and the R.: E.: LAGRANGE SEVERANCE, Deputy Grand High Priest of the same Grand Chapter, who died January 27, 1893.

And yet later we learn of the death of Bro. JOHN H. BROWN, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Kansas since October 18, 1871, who died at Kansas City, Kansas, March 12th. He was Grand Master in 1868-69-70, and was also Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter since February 15, 1880, and Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery since May 2, 1877. He was an Honorary 33° of the Scottish Rite.

How true it is that "death loves a shining mark" and that none are exempt from its visitation.

"Death lays his icy hand on kings;
Sceptre and crown
Must tumble down,
And in the dust be equal made
With the poor crooked scythe and spade."

The death of so many distinguished companions—leaders in Masonry—within the brief space reported, is a sad and marked event in the Masonic history of Capitular Masonry in the United States, and one more illustration given to impress upon us and keep ever in our minds the uncertainty of human life; but as the melancholy tidings will be announced by the Grand High Priest in his Address, and it is eminently proper that the memories of our departed companions should remain in his care until reported to the Grand Chapter, we forbear further comment at this time.

In concluding our labors it seems proper that we should exchange the "time of day" with our co-correspondents, wishing them all the satisfaction and delight in store for the faithful workmen who, having wrought diligently in the quarries of Masonry, await the judgment of the Master Overseer upon the merits of their work. May you receive as you have earned—the applause of your companions for faithful service, accompanied with the statutory salary of a "penny-a-day" and the old promise that your future labors shall not go unrewarded.

As for this committee, we submit our work with a full knowledge of its imperfections and shortcomings, indulging the hope at the same time that during the ensuing year Comp. CASWELL may be enabled to resume his seat at the round table to the great satisfaction of his friends and companions.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. A. DAVIES,

For the Committee.

The report would be incomplete without the following valuable table of statistics, which we borrow from the report compiled by Comp. DRUMMOND of Maine.

GRAND CHAPTERS.	Members.	Exaltations.	Admissions and Restorations.	Dismissals.	Expulsions.	Suspensions.	Suspended for Non-payment of Dues.	Deaths.
Alabama,	1,060	148	44	39	0	0	39	35
Arizona,	154	12	6	4	0	0	1	1
Arkansas,	1,893	133	45	60	3	8	51	40
California,	4,846	281	110	78	0	0	109	95
Canada,	3,954	284	70	100	0	....	*84	44
Colorado,	1,946	285	51	35	3	....	*48	42
Connecticut,	4,930	300	21	31	0	1	17	83
Delaware,	450	77	2	1	1	....	*9	4
District of Columbia,	1,851	295	46	42	0	5	29	35
Florida,	418	44	13	19	0	....	*12	10
Georgia,	2,747	690	49	66	0	....	*23	28
Illinois,	14,046	928	160	273	4	....	*272	178
Indiana,	5,607	419	68	128	7	14	96	67
Indian Territory,	199	37	3	18	0	0	0	1
Iowa,	6,482	488	121	332	9	....	*161	71
Kansas,	4,539	569	87	134	1	....	*32	35
Kentucky,	2,776	257	46	82	0	....	*105	61
Louisiana,	674	80	4	9	1	2	2	12
Maine,	5,124	317	24	51	0	1	57	79
Maryland,	1,420	127	8	30	3	....	*24	24
Massachusetts,	11,737	850	....	101	1	0	*46	136
Michigan,	9,659	786	99	202	8	3	126	128
Minnesota,	3,907	349	49	84	0	0	84	38
Mississippi,	1,240	112	33	25	0	1	24	27
Missouri,	5,562	488	136	142	0	....	*167	65
Montana,	567	....	....	....	....	0	....	....
Nebraska,	2,625	197	44	60	2	....	*43	30
Nevada,	301	4	3	4	0	0	7	7
New Brunswick,	394	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
New Hampshire,	2,889	186	7	33	1	0	16	52
New Jersey,	2,812	237	32	51	0	....	*107	38
New York,	16,871	1,455	246	219	2	2	498	260
North Carolina,	663	105	15	18	0	0	0	15
North Dakota,	472	123	8	28	0	....	*1	3
Nova Scotia,	580	42	10	15	0	0	0	11
Ohio,	12,117	835	281	166	41	15	379	157
Oregon,	984	69	25	9	0	0	6	8
Pennsylvania,	13,645	1,022	151	114	....	....	*168	184
Quebec,	433	19	3	10	0	0	*7	5
Rhode Island,	2,106	177	5	7	0	0	1	25
South Carolina,	587	91	23	10	0	....	8	8
South Dakota,	1,200	136	11	27	1	0	*18	6
Tennessee,	2,384	263	51	55	1	1	47	34
Texas,	4,783	460	118	188	7	....	*65	98
Vermont,	2,320	155	10	23	2	....	*8	42
Virginia,	1,801	224	44	59	1	2	20	28
Washington,	747	145	51	15	1	0	5	10
West Virginia,	890	101	16	15	0	....	*3	9
Wisconsin,	4,840	366	86	108	0	....	*60	45
	174,232	14768	2,535	3,320	100	55	3,075	2,414

*Including suspensions for U. M. O., and those stricken from the roll.

Which report was ordered to be printed with the proceedings of this Grand Convocation.

The Grand High Priest presented the following amendment to the By-Laws of *San Francisco* Chapter, No. 1, received too late to be passed upon by him, which was read and referred to the Committee on By-Laws:—

To amend Article VI, Section 5, of the By-Laws of the Chapter, to read as follows :

“Life membership in this Chapter shall be fifty dollars, and the payment of that sum by a member shall constitute him a life member of this Chapter, and shall exempt him from further current dues ;” (*Provided*, That any member who has paid dues into its treasury for twenty-five or more consecutive years, shall be entitled to a certificate of life membership upon application to the Secretary, and the payment of five dollars into the life membership fund.) “All amounts received from life memberships shall constitute a special life membership fund, the principal of which shall permanently remain in said fund, but the interest and revenues accruing from the investment of the same shall be paid into the general fund of the Chapter.”

On motion of Comp. JACOB HART NEFF, the election of Grand Officers was made the special order for this afternoon, to immediately follow the exemplification of work in the Royal Arch degree.

The Grand High Priest announced the appointment of the following regular committees :—

On New Chapters :

Comp. Eli Tucker Blackmer,
“ David Pugh Marshall,
“ Thompson Wilson Drullard,
“ Alexander John Gardner,
“ James Walker.

On Returns :

Comp. Thomas Flint, Jr.,
“ Henry Sylvester Morey,
“ Wilson Byron Russell,
“ James Henry Austin,
“ William Brockman.

On By-Laws :

Comp. Florin Lealie Jones,
“ Samuel Hopkins Wagener,
“ Henry A Keller,
“ Calvin Levi Gregory,
“ Thomas Wilson Serviss.

On Grievances :

Comp. Adolphus Hewel,
“ William Brockman,
“ Joseph Bailey Cooke,
“ Lewis Cass Wittenmyer,
“ Henry Ascroft.

On Pay of Delegates :

Comp. Theodore Edward Smith,
“ Eduard Keil,
“ William Frank Pierce,
“ George Huntington Burnham,
“ Frank Albert Cressey.

The Grand Chapter was then called off until two o'clock this afternoon.

In Grand Chapter.

AFTERNOON SESSION,
Tuesday, April 18th, A. I. 2423. }

The Grand Chapter was called on at two o'clock, the Grand High Priest presiding.

This being the hour appointed for the exemplification of the work in the Royal Arch degree, at the request of the Grand High Priest the Grand Lecturer assumed the East, and, having appointed to the several offices High Priests of subordinate Chapters present, the exemplification was proceeded with in a most instructive and satisfactory manner; and the Grand Lecturer tendered his thanks to the officiating companions for the excellent and almost perfect manner in which the duties were severally discharged.

The Grand High Priest, having resumed his station, announced that the election of Grand Officers was the next business in order, and having appointed Comps. SAMUEL HUNTER MONTGOMERY, ALLEN BOSELEY LEMMON and WILLIAM HENRY GUNSOLUS to act as tellers, the election proceeded with the following result:—

The M. E. CHARLES RAY GRITMAN was elected Grand High Priest;
The R. E. ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD was elected Deputy Grand High Priest;
The R. E. ADOLPHUS HEWEL was elected Grand King;
The R. E. THOMAS FLINT, SR., was elected Grand Scribe;
The R. E. FRANKLIN HENRY DAY was elected Grand Treasurer;
The R. E. THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL was elected Grand Secretary.

Comp. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, from the special committee on the Address of the Grand High Priest and the Report of the Grand Secretary, presented the following report:—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California:—

Your committee has examined the Address of the Grand High Priest and cordially respond to his sentiments of praise and thanksgiving for the past and present prosperity of Capitular Masonry in our jurisdiction, and although our successful progress has been clouded by the loss of many of the distinguished leaders of the fraternity, yet we acknowledge our dependence upon the great Author of all blessings, and respond with earnest and sincere thanks, "He is good and His mercy endureth forever."

We recommend that the subjects mentioned by the Grand High Priest be apportioned to committees as follows:—

All dispensations issued for the formation of new Chapters, to the Committee on New Chapters; all other dispensations to the Committee on Jurisprudence;

The appointment of Representatives near other Grand Chapters, to the Committee on Jurisprudence ;

And all matters referring to the By-Laws of Chapters, to the Committee on By-Laws.

So much of the Address as refers to the death of our *M. E.* Comps. TRITTS and THOMAS, to a Special Committee on Obituaries; and all reference to the distinguished dead of our sister jurisdictions, to the same committee.

We also desire to tender the thanks of this Grand Chapter to the Grand Chapters of Ohio and Maryland for attentions shown our chief executive officer while sojourning among them.

We think the visitations made by Grand Officers generally productive of much good, and the present record is no exception.

We think the Grand High Priest was benefited as well as surprised at the enthusiastic devotion to Royal Arch Masonry manifested throughout his tour, and the Chapters were certainly benefited by the interest in the work always caused by inspection and review.

We feel that the Grand High Priest has rendered good and efficient service during his term of office, and we are pleased to credit him therefor.

We have also examined the report of the Grand Secretary. We find this report in the usual correct form and with evidence of the care and skill with which that efficient officer always performs the duties entrusted to him.

We notice by the report that the business of the Grand Chapter is growing steadily in importance, its finances are showing the result of skillful care and management, and there is every reason for the members of the Grand Chapter to be satisfied with the exhibit of its affairs made by the Grand Secretary.

We need say no more of the general business, and will give our attention to the matter of the subscription to the stock of the New Masonic Temple enterprise.

This is purely a financial question, and of which the Finance Committee are supposed to be better advised than we could possibly be, and we recommend that the matter be at once referred to that committee for consideration and advice.

WM. A. DAVIES,	} Committee.
J. H. NEFF,	
WM. VANDERHURST,	

Which report was concurred in, and the recommendations adopted.

Comp. THOMAS FLINT, JR., from the Finance Committee, presented the following report on the " books, papers and accounts of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary " :—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California:—

Your Committee on Finances, to whom was referred the books, papers, and accounts of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and find them correct, and recommend that they be published with the proceedings.

In this connection, however, we would recommend that hereafter the Grand Treasurer make an itemized statement of money received by him from the Grand Secretary, and that the Grand Treasurer be required to deposit such moneys in the savings bank immediately upon the receipt of the same from the Grand Secretary.

The official bonds of the Grand Treasurer in the sum of \$10,000, and of the Grand Secretary in the sum of \$6,000, were filed with and approved by the M. E. Grand High Priest immediately after the Convocation of 1892, as required by the Constitution of the Grand Chapter.

All which is respectfully submitted.

THOS. FLINT, JR.,
L. C. WITTENMYER, } Committee.
I. P. KINCAID,
I. J. ROLFE,

Which report was concurred in.

Comp. THOMAS FLINT, JR., from the Committee on Returns, presented the following report :—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California :—

Your Committee on Returns of the Subordinate Chapters beg leave to report that they have examined the same, and find that the returns from all the Chapters have been received by the Grand Secretary, accompanied by the dues in each case, and were, with few exceptions, correctly and neatly prepared.

The amount of dues for which the several Chapters of the jurisdiction were indebted are as follows :—

NAME.	Gen. Fund.	Rep. Fund.	Total.
San Francisco, No. 1,.....	\$107 50	\$215 00	\$322 50
Sonora, " 2,.....	9 00	18 00	27 00
Sacramento, " 3,.....	67 50	135 00	202 50
California, " 5,.....	130 00	260 00	390 00
Nevada, " 6,.....	14 75	29 50	44 25
Benicia, " 7,.....	5 75	11 50	17 25
Shasta, " 9,.....	14 00	28 00	42 00
Sutter, " 11,.....	10 50	21 00	31 50
Merced, " 12,.....	10 50	21 00	31 50
Washington, " 13,.....	31 75	63 50	95 25
Howard, " 14,.....	33 25	66 50	99 75
Cyrus, " 15,.....	18 50	37 00	55 50
Saint James, " 16,.....	9 25	18 50	27 75
Libanus, " 17,.....	6 25	12 50	18 75
Grass Valley, " 18,.....	20 25	40 50	60 75
Trinity, " 19,.....	7 25	14 50	21 75
Franklin, " 20,.....	19 00	38 00	57 00
Sierra, " 21,.....	9 50	19 00	28 50
Petaluma, " 22,.....	17 00	34 00	51 00
La Fayette, " 24,.....	3 75	7 50	11 25
Georgetown, " 25,.....	6 50	13 00	19 50
Della, " 27,.....	8 50	17 00	25 50
Stockton, " 28,.....	27 00	54 00	81 00
Manzanita, " 29,.....	11 50	23 00	34 50

NAME.		Gen. Fund.	Rep. Fund.	Total.
<i>Napa,</i>	No. 30,.....	\$ 10 75	\$ 21 50	\$ 32 25
<i>Martinez,</i>	" 31,.....	12 25	24 50	36 75
<i>Los Angeles,</i>	" 33,	16 50	33 00	49 50
<i>Alhuras,</i>	" 34,.....	4 75	9 50	14 25
<i>Naval,</i>	" 35,.....	19 75	39 50	59 25
<i>Oakland,</i>	" 36,.....	60 25	120 50	180 75
<i>Siloam,</i>	" 37,.....	8 50	17 00	25 50
<i>Santa Cruz,</i>	" 38,.....	11 25	22 50	33 75
<i>Donner.</i>	" 39,.....	12 00	24 00	36 00
<i>Red Bluff,</i>	" 40,.....	18 00	36 00	54 00
<i>Temple,</i>	" 41,.....	10 25	20 50	30 75
<i>Chico,</i>	" 42,.....	19 75	39 50	59 25
<i>Solano,</i>	" 43,.....	14 00	28 00	42 00
<i>Visalia,</i>	" 44,.....	11 25	22 50	33 75
<i>Santa Rosa,</i>	" 45,.....	26 50	53 00	79 50
<i>Woodland,</i>	" 46,.....	11 50	23 00	34 50
<i>Lassen,</i>	" 47,.....	14 25	28 50	42 75
<i>Dixon,</i>	" 48,.....	14 50	29 00	43 50
<i>Modesto,</i>	" 49,.....	13 25	26 50	39 75
<i>Ventura,</i>	" 50,.....	12 75	25 50	38 25
<i>Corinthian,</i>	" 51,	11 25	22 50	33 75
<i>Humboldt,</i>	" 52,.....	26 00	52 00	78 00
<i>Ukiah,</i>	" 53,.....	22 00	44 00	66 00
<i>Keystone,</i>	" 56,.....	10 75	21 50	32 25
<i>Signet,</i>	" 57,.....	67 25	134 50	201 75
<i>Salinas,</i>	" 59,.....	19 50	39 00	58 50
<i>Colusa,</i>	" 60,.....	7 50	15 00	22 50
<i>San Diego,</i>	" 61,.....	18 75	37 50	56 25
<i>San Luis</i>	" 62,.....	18 75	37 50	56 25
<i>St. Helena,</i>	" 63,.....	8 00	16 00	24 00
<i>Acacia,</i>	" 64,.....	5 50	11 00	16 50
<i>Antioch,</i>	" 65,.....	6 50	13 00	19 50
<i>Doric,</i>	" 66,.....	12 25	24 50	36 75
<i>Riverside,</i>	" 67,.....	14 50	29 00	43 50
<i>Hollister,</i>	" 68,.....	7 75	15 50	23 25
<i>Trigo,</i>	" 69,	19 75	39 50	59 25
<i>Alameda,</i>	" 70,.....	13 25	26 50	39 75
<i>Tulare,</i>	" 71,.....	10 00	20 00	30 00
<i>Crown,</i>	" 72,.....	20 50	41 00	61 50
<i>Orange,</i>	" 73,.....	9 50	19 00	28 50
<i>Hanford,</i>	U. D.,.....	6 25	12 50	18 75
<i>Kern Valley,</i>	U. D.,.....	2 25	4 50	6 75

Making a total of\$1258 50 \$2517 00 \$3775 50

Making total receipts for dues,.....\$3775 50

All which is respectfully submitted.

THOMAS FLINT, JR.,	} Committee.
H. S. MOREY,	
W. B. RUSSELL,	
JAMES H. AUSTIN,	
WILLIAM BROCKMAN,	

Which report was concurred in.

The Grand Chapter was then called off until to-morrow morning at ten o'clock.

In Grand Chapter.

MORNING SESSION,
Wednesday, April 19th, A. I. 2423. }

The Grand Chapter was called on at ten o'clock, the Grand High Priest presiding.

After music by the choir, the minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Grand Secretary presented the credentials of Comp. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE as Representative of the Grand Chapter of Nebraska; of Comp. ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD as Representative of the Grand Chapter of Wisconsin; and of Comp. FRANKLIN HENRY DAY as Representative of New South Wales, near the Grand Chapter of California; and

On motion of Comp. WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE, the companions were received and accredited as such representatives.

Comp. ELI TUCKER BLACKMER, from the Committee on New Chapters, presented the following report:—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California:—

Your Committee on Charters, to whom was referred so much of the report of the M. E. Grand High Priest as had reference to dispensations granted to form new Chapters, beg leave to report as follows:

We have examined the papers and documents in each case and find them complete and in legal form, and recommend that the action of the M. E. Grand High Priest in granting said dispensations be approved.

We have also examined the Book of Records, and Book of By-Laws of both the Chapters now U. D., and find them executed in a neat and workman-like manner.

We therefore recommend that a charter be granted to *Hanford Chapter*, U. D., located at Hanford, and to *Kern Valley Chapter*, U. D., located at Bakersfield.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

E. T. BLACKMER, T. W. DRULLARD, JAMES WALKER, DAVID P. MARSHALL, ALEX. J. GARDNER,	}	<i>Committee.</i>
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Which report was concurred in, and the recommendations adopted.

Comp. FLORIN LESLIE JONES, from the Committee on By-Laws, presented the following report:—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California:—

Your Committee on By-Laws having duly considered the matters referred to it, respectfully report:—

Amendments to the By-Laws have been made by the several Chapters as follows:—

1. *Petaluma*, No. 22, reducing fees for degrees.
2. *Delta*, No. 27, reducing fees for degrees.
3. *Martinez*, No. 31, reducing fees for degrees.
4. *Oakland*, No. 36, reducing fees for degrees.
5. *Keystone*, No. 56, reducing fees for degrees.
6. *Acacia*, No. 64, reducing fees for degrees.
7. *Riverside*, No. 67, reducing fees for degrees.
8. *Crown*, No. 72, reducing dues.
9. *Hanford*, U. D., abolishing affiliation fee.
10. *Hanford*, U. D., adopting uniform code.

All the foregoing amendments being within the province of the several Chapters, and conflicting with no law or provision of the Constitution of the Grand Chapter, and having been approved by the *M. E.* Grand High Priest, we recommend that his action be affirmed.

San Francisco Chapter, No. 1, presents the following amendment to its By-Laws:—

To amend Article VI, Section 5, of the By-Laws of the Chapter to read as follows:—

“Life membership in this Chapter shall be fifty dollars, and the payment of that sum by a member shall constitute him a life member of this Chapter, and shall exempt him from further current dues;” (*Provided*, That any member who has paid dues into its treasury for twenty-five or more consecutive years, shall be entitled to a certificate of life membership upon application to the Secretary, and the payment of five dollars into the life membership fund.) “All amounts received from life memberships shall constitute a special life membership fund, the principal of which shall permanently remain in said fund, but the interest and revenues accruing from the investment of the same shall be paid into the general fund of the Chapter.”

This amendment was reported by the *M. E.* Grand High Priest without recommendation. Your committee having carefully considered the same, report as follows:—

While there can be no question as to the powers of Chapters to make such an amendment, we believe it to be bad policy. It would establish a precedent which, we think, would be injurious to the smaller Chapters which might conclude to change their by-laws in accordance therewith. We also believe that the creating of privileged classes in Chapters would tend to a feeling of dis-

satisfaction among those who were unable to purchase life memberships, and that a lack of interest would very soon develop among the life members.

Your committee, therefore, recommend that the proposed amendment be not approved.

All which is respectfully submitted.

FLORIN L. JONES, SAM'L H. WAGENER, HENRY A KELLER, C. L. GREGORY T. W. SERVISS,	}	Committee.
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Which report was concurred in, and the recommendations were adopted.

Comp. THEODORE EDWARD SMITH, from the Committee on Pay of Delegates, presented the following report:—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California:—

Your committee, to whom was referred the apportionment of the Representative Fund, having performed that duty, would recommend that the following amounts be allowed to the delegates of Chapters who were in attendance on the first day of the Convocation:—

Name and Number of Chapter.	No.	Dues to Rep. Fund.	When Represented.	Am't Allowed.
<i>San Francisco,</i>	1.	\$215 00	Paid.....1st day.....	\$6 00
<i>Sonora,</i>	2.	18 00	Paid....."	20 00
<i>Sacramento,</i>	3.	135 00	Paid....."	11 00
<i>California,</i>	5.	260 00	Paid....."	6 00
<i>Nevada,</i>	6.	29 50	Paid....."	19 60
<i>Benicia,</i>	7.	11 50	Paid.....	—
<i>Shasta,</i>	9.	28 00	Paid.....1st day.....	21 80
<i>Sutter,</i>	11.	21 00	Paid....."	17 00
<i>Merced,</i>	12.	21 00	Paid....."	14 50
<i>Washington,</i>	13.	63 50	Paid....."	14 20
<i>Howard,</i>	14.	66 50	Paid....."	8 50
<i>Cyrus,</i>	15.	37 00	Paid....."	31 10
<i>St. James,</i>	16.	18 50	Paid....."	17 80
<i>Libanus,</i>	17.	12 50	Paid.....	—
<i>Grass Valley,</i>	18.	40 50	Paid.....1st day.....	18 60
<i>Trinity,</i>	19.	14 50	Paid.....	—
<i>Franklin,</i>	20.	38 00	Paid.....1st day.....	15 00
<i>Sierra,</i>	21.	19 00	Paid....."	32 00
<i>Petaluma,</i>	22.	34 00	Paid.....	—
<i>La Fayette.</i>	24.	7 50	Paid.....	—
<i>Georgetown,</i>	25.	13 00	Paid.....	—
<i>Delta,</i>	27.	17 00	Paid.....1st day.....	13 20
<i>Stockton,</i>	28.	54 00	Paid....."	11 00
<i>Manzanita,</i>	29.	23 00	Paid....."	23 60
<i>Napa,</i>	30.	21 50	Paid....."	9 00
<i>Martinez,</i>	31.	24 50	Paid.....	—
<i>Los Angeles,</i>	33.	33 00	Paid.....1st day.....	36 00
<i>Alturas,</i>	34.	9 50	Paid....."	38 00
<i>Naval,</i>	35.	39 50	Paid....."	8 00
<i>Oakland,</i>	36.	120 50	Paid.....	—

Name and Number of Chapter.	Dues to Rep. Fund.	When Represented.	Am't Allowed.
<i>Siloam</i> , No. 37.....	\$17 00....Paid	1st day.....	\$ 15 10
<i>Santa Cruz</i> , " 38.....	22 50....Paid	"	11 60
<i>Donner</i> , " 39.....	24 00....Paid	.....	.....
<i>Red Bluff</i> , " 40.....	36 00....Paid	1st day.....	18 00
<i>Temple</i> , " 41.....	20 50....Paid	"	11 60
<i>Chico</i> , " 42.....	39 50....Paid	"	16 80
<i>Solano</i> , " 43.....	28 00....Paid	"	9 00
<i>Visalia</i> , " 44.....	22 50....Paid	.....	.....
<i>Santa Rosa</i> , " 45.....	53 00....Paid	1st day.....	9 00
<i>Woodland</i> , " 46.....	23 00....Paid	.....	.....
<i>Lassen</i> , " 47.....	28 50....Paid	1st day.....	38 00
<i>Dixon</i> , " 48.....	29 00....Paid	"	10 20
<i>Modesto</i> , " 49.....	26 50....Paid	"	12 20
<i>Ventura</i> , " 50.....	25 50....Paid	"	36 00
<i>Corinthian</i> , " 51.....	22 50....Paid	"	36 00
<i>Humboldt</i> , " 52.....	52 00....Paid	"	26 00
<i>Ukiah</i> , " 53.....	44 00....Paid	"	15 00
<i>Keystone</i> , " 56.....	21 50....Paid	"	39 50
<i>Signet</i> , " 57.....	134 50....Paid	"	36 00
<i>Salinas</i> , " 59.....	39 00....Paid	"	12 50
<i>Cohasa</i> , " 60.....	15 00....Paid	"	15 50
<i>San Diego</i> , " 61.....	37 50....Paid	"	46 00
<i>San Luis</i> , " 62.....	37 50....Paid	"	20 00
<i>St. Helena</i> , " 63.....	16 00....Paid	"	10 10
<i>Acacia</i> , " 64.....	11 00....Paid	.....	.....
<i>Antioch</i> , " 65.....	13 00....Paid	1st day.....	9 00
<i>Doric</i> , " 66.....	24 50....Paid	.....	.....
<i>Riverside</i> , " 67.....	29 00....Paid	1st day.....	39 50
<i>Hollister</i> , " 68.....	15 50....Paid	"	11 30
<i>Trigo</i> , " 69.....	39 50....Paid	"	17 80
<i>Alameda</i> , " 70.....	26 50....Paid	.....	.....
<i>Tulare</i> , " 71.....	20 00....Paid	1st day.....	20 50
<i>Crown</i> , " 72.....	41 00....Paid	"	36 50
<i>Orange</i> , " 73.....	19 00....Paid	"	38 10
<i>Hanford</i> , U. D.....	12 50....Paid	"	19 80
<i>Kern Valley</i> , U. D.....	4 50....Paid	.....	.....
	\$2517 00		\$1028 50

We also recommend that the following amounts be allowed to the Grand Officers in attendance, viz: to the—

Grand High Priest,.....	\$11 00	Grand Treasurer,.....	\$6 00
Deputy Grand High Priest,.....	9 00	Grand Chaplain,.....	6 00
Grand King,.....	19 20	Grand Captain of the Host,.....	11 70
Grand Scribe,.....	12 20	Grand Royal Arch Captain,.....	6 00
			\$81 10

Also to—

Chairman of Finance Committee,...	\$14 70	Isaac Philanson Kincaid,.....	\$ 9 00
William Monroe Petrie,.....	14 00	Lewis Cass Wittenmyer,.....	11 00
Ianthis Jerome Rolfe,.....	22 60		\$71 30

RECAPITULATION :

Amount allowed Grand Officers,.....	\$ 81 10
Amount allowed to Delegates,.....	1028 50
Amount allowed to members of the Finance Committee,.....	71 30
Total amount of allowance,.....	\$1180 90

All which is respectfully submitted.

THEODORE EDWARD SMITH, FRANK A. ORESSEY, WILLIAM FRANK PIERCE, EDUARD KEIL, GEORGE H. BURNHAM,	} Committee.
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Which report was concurred in, and the several amounts were ordered paid as recommended.

The Grand High Priest announced the following special committee :—

On Obituaries:.....	{	Comp. William Abraham Davies, " Thomas Hubbard Caswell, " Jacob Hart Neff.
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Comp. THOMAS FLINT, JR., from the Committee on Finances, presented the following report :—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California :—

Your Committee on Finances, to whom was referred such portions of the report of the Grand Secretary as referred to the stock in the "Masonic Temple Association," have carefully considered the same, and beg leave to report as follows :—

After a fair and impartial investigation into all the facts bearing upon this subject, we endorse the report of the Grand Secretary, and submit the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the action of the Grand Secretary in refusing to pay the third assessment of the "Masonic Temple Association," be and is hereby approved; and be it further

Resolved, That the M. E. Grand High Priest, Deputy Grand High Priest, E. G. K. and E. G. S., and Past Grand High Priest EDWARD COLEMAN, be a special committee to consider and determine hereafter whether it be wise to make further payments, and if they shall so determine, warrants shall be drawn under their direction.

All which is respectfully submitted.

THOS. FLINT, JR., L. C. WITTENMYER, I. J. ROLFE, WM. M. PETRIE, I. P. KINCAID,	} Committee.
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Which report, after a lengthy discussion, was concurred in, and the resolutions accompanying it were adopted.

Comp. THOMAS FLINT, JR., from the same committee, presented the following report :—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California :—

Your Committee on Finances recommend the following appropriations for the ensuing year, viz :—

Expenses of Delegates, Convocation of 1893.....	\$1,028 50
“ “ Grand Officers “ “	81 10
“ “ Finance Committee “ “	70 30
Salary of Grand Secretary,	1,800 00
“ “ Organist,	25 00
“ “ Guard,	25 00
Printing and binding proceedings for 1893,	700 00
Contingent expenses of Grand Secretary,	200 00
Rent of Grand Secretary's office,	180 00
Expenses of Grand High Priest in visiting subordinate Chapters, ..	200 00
Dues to General Grand Chapter,	50 33
Chairman Committee on Correspondence 1893,	200 00
Total,	<u>\$4,560 23</u>

Your committee would also recommend that the following sum be appropriated :—

Expenses of Past Grand High Priest DAVIS visiting subordinate Chapters, in excess of appropriation of Convocation of 1892, ..	40 70
All which is respectfully submitted.	

THOS. FLINT, JR.,	} Committee.
L. C. WITTENMYER,	
I. J. ROLFE,	
WM. M. PETRIE,	
I. P. KINCAID,	

Which report was concurred in, and the appropriations were ordered as recommended.

Comp. WILLIAM HENRY DAVIS presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence :—

Resolved, That a member of any Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in this State who has regularly paid his dues to the Chapter of which he is a member, and in all other respects is in good standing as a Royal Arch Mason, shall be entitled to the rights and privileges accruing to any Companion Royal Arch Mason by reason of such membership, notwithstanding he may be expelled, suspended, or have dimitted from his Blue Lodge, until an official notification is sent to the Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter, from the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of this State, giving notice of such expulsion, suspension or dimit in the subordinate Body.

The Grand Chapter was then called off until two o'clock this afternoon.

In Grand Chapter.

AFTERNOON SESSION,
Wednesday, April 19th, A. I. 2423. }

The Grand Chapter was called on at two o'clock, the Grand High Priest presiding.

Comp. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, from the Committee on Jurisprudence, presented the following report :—

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of California :—

Your Committee on Jurisprudence has considered the resolution submitted by Comp. Wm. H. DAVIS, Past High Priest of *San Francisco* Chapter, No. 1, referring to the standing of Royal Arch Masons in their respective Lodges, and the providing of measures for bringing to the knowledge of their Chapters any Lodge action affecting the same.

The proposition of the questioner cannot be considered, for the reason that under the provisions of our Constitution, Sec. 4, Art. XVII, the applicant for the Chapter degrees must be a Master Mason in good standing; that the Lodge determines the standing of Master Masons; that this Grand Chapter cannot legislate for the Grand Lodge, and has no authority to defer or postpone the sentence affixed for a violation of its laws by the Grand or a subordinate Lodge.

General Regulation 20 of this Grand Chapter, makes it the duty of Secretaries to report immediately to the Grand Secretary all rejections, suspensions and expulsions and restorations by the respective Chapters, and makes it the duty also of the Grand Secretary to report the same to the several Chapters; but no legislation can be had in this body that would establish the procedure wished for by the resolution offered by Comp. DAVIS, and it is left for the High Priest of a Chapter to determine by his active supervision of his membership as to their status in the bodies responsible for their creation, and exercising supervision over their Masonic lives in whatever department or however far they may pursue their investigations.

Your committee know of no existing regulation that will give, without the necessary inquiry, the needed information.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. A. DAVIES, }
J. H. NEFF, } Committee.
H. H. KNAPP, }
M. H. MYRICK, }

Which report was concurred in.

Comp. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, from the Special Committee on Obituaries, presented the following report :—

To the M. . E. . Grand Chapter of California:—

There is something very satisfactory to the fraternal mind in cherishing the memory and the honor of departed companions; the discharge of the duty brings with it a gentle and inspiring influence and preserves within us recollections and feelings of friendship for the dead which makes us feel that the separation is but temporary, and that in the land "beyond the river" we shall surely meet again.

* "When the last feeble step has been taken,
And the gates of the Lodge shall appear,
And the beautiful songs of the angels
Float out on our listening ear,
Then all that now seems mysterious,
Will be plain and clear as the day,
And the toils of the road will seem nothing,
When we get to the end of the way."

The Grand High Priest has brought to our notice the death of two prominent companions, both of whom are thoroughly identified with the history of the Grand Chapter of California.

Comp. TOWNSEND A. THOMAS was called to rest at his home in Tennessee on the twenty-fifth of April, 1892. Comp. THOMAS was a member of *Sacramento* Chapter when the formation of this Grand Chapter was proposed. He attended the Convention held for the consideration of the matter on the sixth of May, 1854, called the Convention to order, and assumed a leading part in the proposed organization. Comp. THOMAS was elected the first Grand Secretary, and was an influential and efficient officer; he resigned in the year 1858, and returned to his old home in Tennessee. The Grand Chapter passed the following resolution after the acceptance of his resignation:

"Resolved, That this Grand Chapter learns with regret the departure from this jurisdiction of our R. . E. . Grand Secretary, Comp. TOWNSEND A. THOMAS, and we cordially recommend the companion to the esteem and fraternal regard of the Royal Arch Masons in the jurisdiction to which he has gone."

Comp. THOMAS returned to Tennessee and affiliated with his old friends and companions again. He was elected Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Tennessee in 1869. Comp. THOMAS was exalted to the sublime degree of Royal Arch Masonry in 1842, and was installed into Masonic office during a period of forty-eight years. Friend and Companion, "Green be the turf above thee."

Comp. ISAAC SUTVENE TITUS "entered into rest" April 22d, 1892. He was exalted to the sublime degree in 1856, and elected M. . E. . Grand High Priest of this Grand Chapter in 1867. Comp. TITUS lived an active and useful Masonic life, bearing his full share of the burdens, and receiving the commendation of his brethren in Lodge, Chapter, Council and Commandery, and in the A. and A. Scottish Rite.

Comp. TITUS was born in Auburn, Cayuga county, New York, October 14, 1827. After the usual student's experience he was graduated as a physician. Was made a Mason in *Lithopolis* Lodge, No. 169, Ohio, in 1850. Came to California, and after the usual mining experience of early days, he

settled in Placerville, El Dorado county. The doctor was prominent in all the business and political interests of his fellow-citizens, and represented them in the State Legislature and on different State Commissions. He made his presence felt by his zeal and activity in all matters Masonic, from the ground floor to the uppermost chamber of the edifice.

Our old friend and companion had suffered many years with inflammatory rheumatism, and in the hope of benefit from a change of climate was induced to take charge of the Asylum for the Insane at Phoenix, Arizona. The change did not benefit him and he received the summons from the grim messenger at that place, whence he was returned to his old home for burial. Friend and companion, farewell.

We are also reminded by the Grand High Priest that we are not alone in the loss of loved ones, for the sister jurisdictions of Florida, Indiana, Kansas, Oregon and Louisiana have assumed the badge of mourning for companions that "were and are not." Florida deplores the loss of DEWITT C. DAWKINS, her capable and efficient Grand Secretary;

Indiana mourns the "taking off" of EDWARD S. ROSS, Grand High Priest, and LAGRANGE SEVERANCE, Deputy Grand High Priest;

Kansas, the gifted and versatile Grand Secretary, JOHN H. BROWN;

Oregon, the beloved ROCKEY PRESTON EARHART, Grand Secretary; and

Louisiana, the Eminent Comp. JOSEPH POTTS HORNER, General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, who departed this life January 24, 1893.

We will close our memorial notice of the lives of these distinguished companions by quoting the words of illustrious Comp. HORNER, before the Supreme Council 33d Degree at its Lodge of Sorrow in 1868, upon the death of several noted and illustrious Masons:—

"And now that we close our record, let us impress upon our hearts the memory of the many virtues of these just men; let us place them before our minds as models and examples, that our footsteps may follow their footsteps, our souls their souls; for we hope and believe that their sins, which were in the flesh, have been forgiven them, and that their spirits, clad in the snow-white mantle of heaven-born charity, have soared aloft on the seraph wings of faith and hope, to that land of life and light where God forever reigns."

Your committee recommend that mourning pages, properly inscribed, be placed in our proceedings of the present year in memory of our departed companions as a tribute to their exalted worth.

WM. A. DAVIES,
THOS. H. CASWELL, } Committee.
JACOB H. NEFF,

Which report was concurred in, and the recommendations adopted.

The Grand High Priest elect announced the following appointments for the ensuing year, viz:—

Grand Chaplain,.....	Comp. ALFRED THOMAS PERKINS,...	of Alameda,	No. 70;
Grand Lecturer,.....	" THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL,...	of Nevada,	No. 6;
Grand Capt. of the Host,...	" WILLIAM FRANK PIERCE,...	of Oakland,	No. 36;
Grand Royal Arch Capt.,...	" ELI TUCKER BLACKMER,...	of San Diego,	No. 61;
Grand Organist,.....	" SAMUEL DAVID MAYER,...	of California,	No. 5;
Grand Guard,	" JAMES OGLESBY,.....	of California,	No. 5;

The Grand Officers, elected and appointed, were then regularly installed in their respective stations by the *M. E. WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS*, Past Grand High Priest, assisted by the *M. E. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES*, Past Grand High Priest, as Master of the Ceremonies.

On motion of Comp. *WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, M. E. WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS* was requested to sit for his portrait, and the Grand Secretary was instructed to have it placed in the portrait gallery of the Grand Chapter.

The Grand High Priest announced the appointment of the following Standing Committees for the ensuing year :—

<i>On Jurisprudence:</i>	<i>On Finances:</i>
Comp. William Abraham Davies,	Comp. Thomas Flint, Jr.,
“ Jacob Hart Neff,	“ William Monroe Petrie,
“ Henry Hay Knapp,	“ Ianthis Jerome Rolfe,
“ William Vanderhurst,	“ Isaac Philanson Kincaid,
“ Milton Hills Myrick.	“ Lewis Cass Wittenmyer.

On Correspondence:

Comp. William Abraham Davies,
“ Calvin Levi Gregory,
“ Trowbridge Hyer Ward,
“ Joseph Bailey Cooke,
“ Florin Leslie Jones.

The business of the Grand Chapter being all completed, the minutes of the day were read and approved, and the Grand Chapter of California was closed in *Ample Form*.

CHARLES RAY GRITMAN,

Grand High Priest.

ATTEST:

THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL,

Grand Secretary.

This Mourning Page,

BY ORDER OF THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND CHAPTER OF CALIFORNIA,

IS GIVEN TO THE MEMORY OF

M.: E.: Isaac Sutvene Titus, M. D.

Who was born in the City of Auburn, State of New York,
On the fourteenth day of October, 1827,
And who died in the City of Phoenix, Arizona Territory,
On the twenty-second day of April, 1892.

HE HAD BEEN

Master of El Dorado Lodge, No. 26, F. & A. M.; High Priest of St.
James Chapter, No. 16, R. A. M.; Thrice Illustrious Master
of Sierra Nevada Council, No. 4, R. & S. M.;
Commander of El Dorado Command-
ery, No. 4, K. T.

HE HAD ALSO BEEN

GRAND MASTER OF THE GRAND LODGE OF FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS,
Grand Master of the Grand Council R. & S. M.,
Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery K. T.

AND

GRAND HIGH PRIEST

OF THE GRAND CHAPTER R. A. M. OF CALIFORNIA.



"The zeal, the fire that in him burned
No circumstance could smother,
For, more than all things, to the last
He loved a worthy brother.
Though storms might rage, though wild the night,
Though winters' wind might blow,
Out to relieve a frater's wants
Would this true Mason go."

This Mourning Page,

BY ORDER OF THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND CHAPTER OF CALIFORNIA,

IS GIVEN TO THE MEMORY OF

M.: E.: Townsend Alexander Thomas

Who was born in Loudon County, State of Virginia,
On the eleventh day of December, 1819,
And who died in Clarksville, State of Tennessee,
On the twenty-fifth day of April, 1892.

HE HAD BEEN

Master of Tehama Lodge, No. 3; High Priest of Sacramento Chapter, No. 3; Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge F. & A. M. of California;

Grand Secretary

OF THE GRAND CHAPTER R. A. M. OF CALIFORNIA.

AND IN THE STATE OF TENNESSEE,

Master of Clarksville Lodge, No. 89, F. & A. M.; High Priest of Clarksville Chapter, No. 3, R. A. M.; Deputy Grand Master of Grand Lodge F. & A. M.; Grand Captain General of Grand Commandery K. T.

AND

Grand High priest of the Grand Chapter R. A. M.



"The good deeds left behind him
Will form a chain to bind him
To us who linger here."

This Mourning Page

BY ORDER OF THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND CHAPTER OF CALIFORNIA,

IS GIVEN TO THE MEMORY OF THE

ILLUSTRIOUS DEAD

OF OUR

SISTER GRAND JURISDICTIONS.

—*—
M. E. JOSEPH POTTS HORNER,

General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter, U. S.

Born March 18, 1837. Died January 24, 1893.

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M. E. EDWARD S. ROSS,

Grand High Priest of Indiana.

Born —, —, —. Died February 7, 1893.

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R. E. LAGRANGE SEVERANCE,

Deputy Grand High Priest of Indiana.

Born —, —, —. Died January 27, 1893.

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M. E. DEWITT CLINTON DAWKINS,

Past Grand High Priest and Grand Secretary of Florida.

Born April 30, 1829. Died October 5, 1892.

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M. E. JOHN HENRY BROWN,

Past Grand High Priest and Grand Secretary of Kansas.

Born June 6, 1825. Died March 12, 1893.

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M. E. THOMAS McFADDEN PATTON,

Past Grand High Priest of Oregon.

Born March 17, 1829. Died November 29, 1892.

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COMP. ROCKEY PRESTON EARHART,

Grand Secretary of Oregon.

Born June 23, 1836. Died May 11, 1892.

In Memoriam.

Sacramento Chapter, No. 3.

Comp. Creed Haymond, P. H. P.
January 13, 1893.

California Chapter, No. 5.

Comp. Isaac Sutvene Titus, P. H. P. and P.G. H. P.
April 22, 1892.

Stoeckton Chapter, No. 28.

Comp. Benjamin Franklin Bagley, P. H. P.
March 27, 1892.

Naval Chapter, No. 35.

Comp. Benjamin Benas, P. H. P.
April 17, 1892.

Oakland Chapter, No. 36.

Comp. William Addison Walter, P. H. P.
February —, 1892.

Chico Chapter, No. 42.

Comp. Robert Emmet Warren, P. H. P.
August 24, 1892.

Woodland Chapter, No. 46.

Comp. John Lowrey Simpson, P. H. P.
September 5, 1892.

Dixon Chapter, No. 48.

Comp. George Churchill McKinley, P. H. P.
July 4, 1892.

GENERAL REGULATIONS

OF THE

Grand Chapter of California.

1. The degree of Past Master must be conferred upon all candidates, notwithstanding that they may have previously had a degree of that name conferred upon them in a Convocation of Past Masters, by virtue of an election to preside over a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons.

2. All the Chapters under this jurisdiction are required, in the conferring of degrees, to conform to the ritual adopted by the Grand Chapter, at its special Convocation, in September, 1855.

3. Every Mark Master attached to a Chapter under this jurisdiction must, within six months after his admission, select his mark and record the same in a Book of Marks, kept by the Chapter for that purpose; and it is made the special duty of the Secretary of each Chapter to see that this regulation is complied with.

4. The term "nearest Chapter," used in the Constitution, means the nearest by geographical measurement.

5. No Masonic communication shall be held with a Royal Arch Mason who stands suspended as a Master Mason, for any cause.

6. Each Chapter under this jurisdiction shall pay, in addition to its annual dues, the sum of fifty cents for each Royal Arch Mason borne upon its roll at the date of its annual report; which additional assessment shall be used as a fund to defray the actual expenses of transportation of one delegate from each Chapter represented at the Annual Convocations of the Grand Chapter—the same to be apportioned by a special committee appointed for that purpose.

7. Whenever two or more Chapters exist in any city or town within this jurisdiction, it shall be the duty of each of such Chapters to notify the other or others, existing in the same place, of all applications presented to it for the degrees.

8. When, after an election of an applicant to receive the Chapter degrees, and he has received the Mark degree, an objection to his advancement is made at any time by a member, such objection shall be referred to a committee, with power to inquire into the cause thereof, who shall, at the next stated meeting, (unless further time be given) report thereon; and upon the reception of said report, if no cause for the objection has been assigned, or if the cause assigned be, in the opinion of two-thirds of the members present, not a valid and Masonic one, the Chapter may confer the degree in the same manner as if no objection had been made.

9. No petition for the degrees, or application for membership, shall be received by any Chapter within this jurisdiction, unless it be signed with the full name or names of the petitioner or applicant; and in the annual reports of subordinate Chapters, the given name or names of every member or others upon their rolls, shall be given in full.

10. The provisions of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of the State of California shall be, in all essential respects, where there is no conflict between it and the Constitution of this Grand Chapter, the rules and regulations by which the action of the subordinate Chapters of this jurisdiction shall be governed.

11. That the use of substitutes shall not be permitted for purposes of rapid advancement, or for accommodation merely, but only when the Council of the Chapter, in the exercise of a sound discretion, shall be satisfied that the good of Royal Arch Masonry will be promoted thereby.

12. That the use of more than one substitute at a time is prohibited, unless the dispensation of the Grand High Priest, permitting such use, be first procured; said dispensation to be issued only for good cause shown, and upon a petition signed by a majority of the Council of the Chapter asking such dispensation.

13. The limit of physical qualifications to be required of a candidate for the degrees conferred by a Royal Arch Chapter under this jurisdiction, shall be, simply, that he be enabled to conform strictly to all which the ritual in those degrees makes necessary.

14. That the restoration to good standing by a Lodge of any companion who has been suspended by it for any cause, and where no action has been had in the case directly by the Chapter, restores him to good standing in the Chapter.

15. From and after the first day of September, 1874, no High Priest of a Chapter under this jurisdiction shall be installed, unless he shall present to the installing officer a certificate from the Grand Lecturer, or some companion known by the Grand Lecturer to be skilled in the work, that he is qualified to properly confer all the Chapter degrees and deliver the lectures thereunto appertaining; and the installing officer shall forward such certificate to the Grand Secretary.

16. That there is no power vested in the Grand High Priest to grant a dispensation to re-ballot on the application of a rejected candidate, that matter being wholly within the province of the Chapter in which he was rejected. (See Sec. 1, Art. XVII, of the Constitution.)

The following is the course of procedure recommended:—

First. That notice in writing be given in stated meeting that the petition of the rejected applicant would be presented at the next regular meeting of the Chapter.

Second. Upon the reading of such notice, the High Priest shall direct the Secretary to notify each and every member of the Chapter of such intended application, and request his presence to vote upon the consideration of the same.

Third. At such subsequent meeting, on a motion formally made to re-submit the petition, if the vote be *unanimous* in favor thereof, the petition can be again received and referred, the same as if no previous action had been taken.

17. That the Chapters subordinate to the jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of California, be directed to require of all visitors for examination from other jurisdictions, prior to admission, a declaration in the following words: "I do not stand suspended or expelled for any cause whatever; neither has my name been stricken from the roll of members for non-payment of dues in my Lodge of Master Masons, or my Chapter of Royal Arch Masons."

18. That it shall be the imperative duty of every Chapter in this jurisdiction, before it shall confer the Royal Arch degree upon any candidate, to require of said candidate a compliance with Regulation No. 3, relative to the selection and recording of his mark.

19. That no Chapter under dispensation in this jurisdiction shall receive a charter unless all the requirements of this Grand Chapter shall have been complied with and such Chapter is free from debt.

20. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of every Chapter in this jurisdiction to report to the Grand Secretary of this Grand Chapter, immediately, all rejections, suspensions, exclusions, expulsions and restorations that may take place in their several Chapters; and it is hereby made the duty of the Grand Secretary to report to the several Chapters of the jurisdiction, every six months, all such rejections, suspensions, exclusions, expulsions and restorations so reported to him.

21. This Grand Chapter acknowledges no degree of Masonry or order of Knighthood to be legitimate and genuine except those conferred by, or under the authority of, the following regularly constituted Masonic bodies of the United States of America, and those of corresponding rank in foreign countries, to wit:

The Grand Lodges of Free and Accepted Masons of the several States and Territories; the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the United States, and the Grand Chapters of Royal Arch Masons of the States and Territories; the General Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the United States, and the Grand Councils of Royal and Select Masters of the States and Territories; the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States and the Grand Commanderies of the States and Territories; the Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States, of which ALBERT PIKE is Grand Commander; and the Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Jurisdiction of the United States, of which HENRY L. PALMER is Grand Commander.

It is hereby declared that any Royal Arch Mason who shall hereafter take or receive any so-called Masonic degree or order of Knighthood from any man or body of men not hereinbefore acknowledged to be legitimate and genuine, shall be liable to be expelled from all the rights and privileges of a Royal Arch Mason.

It is hereby further declared that any Royal Arch Mason who shall hereafter confer, communicate or sell, or be present at or assist in the conferring, communicating or selling, or solicit any one to take, receive or apply for any so-called Masonic degree or order of Knighthood, in any assemblage of men, no matter by what name soever it may be called, except it be held under the authority of one of the bodies hereinbefore acknowledged to be legitimate and genuine, shall be expelled from all the rights and privileges of a Royal Arch Mason.

22. It shall be the duty of every Royal Arch Mason to be a member of some Chapter; and every non-affiliated Royal Arch Mason who, having resided six months within this State, shall neglect to make application for membership to some Chapter therein, shall be deemed to occupy the same position as those suspended for non-payment of dues, and shall not be entitled to, nor be the recipient of, any of the rights, privileges or benefits of Capitular Masonry.

Non-affiliated Royal Arch Masons who occupy the position referred to in the preceding section, and who desire to restore themselves by affiliation, may do so upon payment of a sum equivalent to six months' dues of the Chapter to which they shall apply, in addition to the affiliation fee, if any, required by its by-laws.

23. That the *M. E.* Grand High Priest withhold his approval from all amendments to By-Laws of Chapters, unless the certificate shows that the amendment had received a two-thirds vote of the members present; that notice of such amendment had been given at the meeting preceding that on which the vote was taken; said certificate to be signed by the Secretary and authenticated by the seal of the Chapter.

24. That at all future Convocations of this Grand Chapter, no member thereof shall receive his per diem and transportation expenses from the Representative Fund until such Convocation shall have been regularly closed.

RULES OF ORDER

OF THE

Grand Chapter of California.

RULE 1. When the Grand Chapter shall have assembled, the Grand Secretary shall call the roll of its members, and if a sufficient number of Chapters are represented, the Grand Chapter shall be opened. The Grand High Priest shall then appoint a Committee on Credentials, and no further business shall be transacted until after its report shall have been received.

RULE 2. After the reception of the Report on Credentials, the proceedings of the preceding Convocation shall be read by the Grand Secretary, unless their reading be dispensed with; the Address of the Grand High Priest, and the reports of the Deputy Grand High Priest, Grand Secretary, and Grand Treasurer, shall be presented, and appropriately referred, in the order here named; and the Grand High Priest shall appoint the regular committees, to whom all papers then in the hands of the Grand Secretary, requiring such reference, shall be at once referred. The Committee on Correspondence shall then present its annual report.

RULE 3. After the business of the Convocation is thus begun, the regular order for each session, during its continuance, shall be as follows:

1. Reading of the minutes of the last session.
2. Report of the Committee on Credentials.
3. Reception and action upon, or reference of, petitions, memorials and appeals.
4. Reports of Regular and Special Committees, and action thereupon.
5. Motions, resolutions, and other business.

RULE 4. All reports submitted, all petitions, memorials, or appeals presented, and all orders, motions, or resolutions, shall be in writing, and shall be read by the Grand Secretary, before any action is taken thereupon.

RULE 5. No motion to reconsider shall be entertained, unless made during the same session when the question proposed to be reconsidered was decided, nor unless such motion be made by one who voted with the majority upon that question.

RULE 6. When a day and hour shall have been named for the election of Grand Officers, such election shall, at that time, take precedence of all other business, unless the Grand Chapter, by a two-thirds vote, shall otherwise direct.

RULE 7. These rules shall only be suspended by unanimous consent, but may at any time be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

RETURNS

OF THE

SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS

UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE

GRAND CHAPTER of CALIFORNIA

A. I. 2423.

SAN FRANCISCO CHAPTER, No. 1.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first and third Mondays in each month.

OFFICERS:

Charles James King, <i>High Priest,</i>	Philip D Code, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
David Charles Smith, <i>King,</i>	Charles Harris, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
William Edmund Price, <i>Scribe,</i>	Benj. Loring Hesseltine, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Benjamin Harris, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Henry Matthew Furman, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Henry Gilman Prince, <i>Secretary,</i>	Marcus Getz, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Ludwig Mathias Hoefler, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Edward Gilberts, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Louis Cohn,	Samuel Sternheim,	James Wright Anderson,
Martin John Burke,	Henry Wangenheim,	Thomas Kingsbury Wilson,
John Rudolph Jarboe,	Edward Taylor Anthony,	Moubray Robert Dundas,
Milton Hills Myrick,	Isaac Philanson Kincaid,	Milton Sidney Eisner,
Stewart Menzies,	James Waterman Baldwin,	William Harvey Edwards,
Theodore Edward Smith,	Charles Albert Warren,	William Henry Davis.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Adams, Adolph	Armstrong, Rudolph	Baum, Simon
Adelstein, Samuel	Arnold, Cyrus Mills	Bauman, Sigmund
Allen, George Preston	Aschheim, Israel Julius	Bayle, John
Allen, Isaac Patton	Backus, Samuel Woolsey	Bennett, George Wash'ton
Allenberg, Charles	Bamberger, Sigmund Simon	Bennett, James Henry
Altshuler, Levi	Bangs, Edward	Bergson, Ole
Andrews, Abram	Barker, Charles Alphonse	Berton, Flavien
Antisell, Wm. Christopher	Barr, Milton Homer	Bingham, Henry Walker
Armer, Andrew Milton	Bass, Thomas Jefferson	Blumenberg, Samuel Purdy
Armstrong, Herbert Guy	Bassett, Charles Fallen	Boettcher, Paul

Boole, George	Crowley, Timothy Jay	Fogel, George
Bowman, John Schmerl	Culp, Daniel Sanford	Foorman, Samuel
Boyd, Colin Macnicol	Culver, James Henry	Fox, Otto
Brandenstein, Meyer	Curry, John	Frank, Emanuel Max
Brandt, Louis	Cutting, John Tyler	Fraser, John P
Browell, Jeremiah	Daneri, Antonio	Fried, Ignatius S
Brown, Andrew	Danforth, Edward Putnam	Fuller, Andrew Henry
Brown, David Palmer	Daniels, William Lyon	Gallagher, John Patrick
Brown, George Watson	Darling, George Louis	Garratt, James Hylan
Brown, James Henry	Davis, Charles Lott	Getz, Bernhard
Browne, Thomas Henry	Davis, Henry Laurens	Getz, Joseph
Brunt, Walter Neat	Davis, John Warner	Getz, Louis
Bryan, Charles Henry	Day, Robert	Getz, Solomon
Bull, Franklin Pettingill	Decourtieux, Amand X., Jr.	Gibson, Frederick Herbert
Bultman, John Henry	Deuprey, Eugene Nelson	Gilmore, John Henry
Bunker, Charles Dimmock	Deveny, Peter	Gilmour, Augus Adolphus
Bunker, Henry Chase	Dimond, William Henry	Goldberg, Jacob
Burns, Henry Jameson	Dinkelspiel, Joseph Samuel	Goldstein, Simon
Cahn, Solomon	Doane, John Osborne	Gordon, James Edward
Cahill, Patrick	Doane, Micah	Goyette, Joseph
Callundan, Fred'k Patterson	Doolittle, Jefferson Ely	Graham, Irvine
Cameron, John William	Dore, Benjamin	Grant, John Thomas
Campe, Harry Magnes	Douglass, George Willard	Green, Adam Treadwell
Carrick, James Ross	Dow, Cyrus Clinton	Greenhood, Hugo Oscar
Cartan, Francis Matthew	Downs, John	Gutman, Alexander
Casassa, Charles Henry	Dragomanovich, Spiro S G	Haas, George
Chase, Charles Metaphor	Drucker, August	Halstead, William Augustus
Christensen, Andrew	Duff, Thomas Caron	Hamilton, Robert
Christensen, James Petit	Dunn, John	Hammond, Philip
Christensen, Martin Aug. C.	Dunne, James Patrick	Hansen, Frederick Ludwig
Christiansen, Ernst Wm. C.	Dusenberry, Louis	Harpst, John
Clark, George Dickson	Eager, Thomas	Harris, Marcus
Classen, Adolph Fred. Anton	Edwards, Edward	Hart, Marcus
Classen, Frederick Harry	Edwards, Henry	Hartley, John Davis
Clawson, Leonard Edwin	Edwards, James Wash'ton	Hayes, George Walfred
Clement, Joseph	Einstein, Morris	Heister, Amos Calvin
Clingman, George Evans	Eisenberg, Isidor	Herspring, Joseph
Cluff, Thomas McRea	Elfelt, Joseph	Herzo, John
Cluff, William	Elliott, William	Hewson, James
Clunie, Thomas Jefferson	Emerson, John Augustus	Heyman, Gustavus
Coblentz, Felix	English, Leland Garrison	Heyneman, Herman
Code, James Arthur	Eppinger, Jacob	Hillman, John Reuben
Cohen, Joseph	Esberg, Mendel	Holje, Martin
Cohen, Philip	Ewen, Oliver	Hollab, Samuel Simon
Cohen, Simon	Ewer, Warren Baxter	Hooper, William Burchell
Cohn, Gabriel	Fairchild, John Anthony	Hornblower, Fred'k Aug
Connelly, James Edward	Falk, Morris	Hromada, Adolph
Conrad, John George	Falkenstein, Henry	Huff, Abram
Copeland, William Glen	Fenn, John Henry	Hughes, Edward Calvin
Couper, Auguste	Ferris, Crawford	Humphreys, George
Cressy, Albert	Fisher, Henry	Hunt, Henry Brown
Crocker, Henry Joseph	Fisher, Henry James	Irvine, Alexander
Cronan, William	Fisher, Oscar	Iverson, Niels

Jacobs, Isidor	Markewitz, August	Posener, Max
Jennings, Charles Brooks	Marks, Jesse Emanuel	Quinn, John Claude
Jennings, Edward	Marks, Marcus	Rahlmann, Harry Frederick
Johnson, James Halvor	Martin, Henry Sebastian	Redmond, Michael Francis
Johnson, John Charles	Mayer, Oscar Joseph	Reinhart, Benedict
Jones, George Edward	Mayers, Solomon Julius	Rice, Harvey Wood
Jones, Harrison	McCann, Richard	Richards, Charles Wesley
Jones, Harrison Alexander	McCormick, William	Richards, Charles West, Jr.
Jones, Martin	McDonald, John Weir	Riley, John Francis
Jones, William	McDonald, Robert	Robbins, Frederick Averill
Juda, Morris	McElroy, Andrew	Roberts, John Charles
Kartschoke, Gustav	McKay, John Henry	Robinson, Cornel's Preston
Keefer, Windsor Atchison	McKellips, Daniel Martin	Robinson, Henry Cooke
Kenitzer, Henry	McKenna, Thomas Dillon	Romaine, Nicholas Theod'e
Kennedy, Joseph	McLaughlin, Alexander	Rosenstock, Samuel Wolf
Kerr, David	McLea, Arthur	Rountree, James
Keyer, John	McNab, James	Rountree, Moses Edmond
Kirkpatrick, Thomas	Mead, Lewis Risdon	Rothschild, Joseph
Kispet, Charles Frank	Metzger, Leo	Rowley, Brainard Nathan
Kohn, Isaac	Meyer, Charles	Sabatie, Philippe Gabriel
Korts, George Daniel	Meyer, Julius	Sachs, Lippman
Kreling, William	Michaels, Abraham	Sahlein, Moses
Kroscher, Hugo Julius	Miles, William Emmert	Samuels, David
Lachman, Albert	Mohrhardt, Philip Fred'k	Sanborn, Albion Irving
Ladagnous, Justin	Moore, Charles Parker	Savage, Wm. Cunningham
Lauden, Martin Kuttner	Moraghan, Michael Bolan	Sawyer, Ebenezer Davis
Lengfeld, Abraham Lewis	Morehouse, Christ. Columb's	Scheerer, Joseph
Leviston, George	Morshead, John White	Schonfeld, Jacob
Levy, Felix Nathan	Nagle, Peter Buck	Schweitzer, Jakob
Levy, Jacob	Neuberger, Gustav	Schweitzer, Morris
Levy, Joseph	Newbauer, Herman Wolf	Scott, Albert Woodburn
Levy, Mark Washington	Nickol, Lorenz	Scott, Henry Wilson
Levy, Morris Bernhard	Nicolaysen, Frank	Seller, Paul
Levy, Solomon	Noonan, Lawrence Edward	Shainwald, Herman
Levy, Sylvain Samuel	Nye, Joseph Merrill	Shaw, George Thomas
Lewellyn, Reese	O'Connor, Cornelius	Sheets, Oliver Hazzard Perry
Lewis, William	O'Connor, Edward Arthur	Sibley, Levi Butler
Lezinsky, George	O'Connor, Joseph	Simmons, Morris Joseph
Lillie, William Henry	Oliver, Edward	Simon, Joseph
Littlefield, Joseph Hight	Osborn, Corra Mahlon	Simon, Theodore Joseph
Loane, Francis Marion	Parker, Charles Hubbard	Simpson, Thomas Benjamin
Logan, James Francis	Patridge, Hiram Cutter	Smith, Charles Ward
Lopresti, Anthony	Pearson, Henry Haven	Smith, Clarence Mark
Lowe, Julius Williams	Peirce, Charles Vincent	Solomon, Simon
Lucas, Robert Hume	Peixotto, Edgar Davis	Somervell, Wm. Somervell
Luchsinger, John Jacob	Penhallow, De Blois Pearce	Soper, Joseph Henry
Lusk, Albert	Penlington, George	Spaulding, James Garfield
Mack, Adolph	Pennie, James Crymes	Speier, Bernard
Madison, James	Perine, George Mairs	Sperling, Frank
Magnin, Simson	Perry, David	Speyer, Walter Morris
Maguire, Thomas Frank	Phillips, Wm. Armstrong	Sresovich, Luke George
Makins, James Nicholas	Piper, Arthur Leroy	Stern, Louis
Manheim, Henry Simon	Polastri, Richard Stephen	Stern, Sigmund

Still, William	Turpin, Frederick Light	Williams, Henry
Stockwell, James Henry	Tyson, James	Williams, Oscar
Storn, Matthew Drysdale	Tyson, Robert James	Williamson, Henry
Sunderhous, Geo. Henry O.	Umbsen, Gustav Henry	Wilson, Frederick Green
Sussman, Samuel	Van Sicklen, F'd Wetherbee	Wilson, John
Swannack, Daniel	Vigoreaux, William August	Wilson, John <i>N E</i>
Sweet, Solomon	Von Wefelsburg, A. Barack	Wilson, Marion Allen
Swift, Samuel	Wagner, Jacob	Wilson, Russell Jones
Taylor, Samuel Johnson	Waldron, John Terry	Winter, John Frederick
Terry, John Colman	Wankowski, William	Wise, John Henry
Thornton, William Mynn	Warner, William John Bagley	Wolf, Jacob William
Tilton, Charles Stephen	Welch, Willard Choate, Jr.	Wolf, Simon
Titus, William Henry Frank	Wetjen, Cord	Wormser, Louis
Todd, David Byron	Weyl, Bernardo	Wulzen, Diedrich Heinrich
Triest, Bernhard	White, Robert Frank	Young, Charles Mortimer
Troppmann, Charles Martin	White, Thomas Benton	Young, John Shaw
True, Charles Shaw	Williams, Daniel A	Young, William—430.
Tubman, William		

PAST MASTER:

¶ Davis, Henry H—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Carlson, Edward	Gallagher, Edward M	Moore, Thomas
Edelman, Charles	Kayton, Abraham Harrold	Seitz, George—7.
Foster, Samuel		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Brandt, Frederick John	Harris, Thomas Spencer	Newton, Thomas Raven
Chambers, Harry Lauden	Hoagland, William Cox	Nutten, Charles Andrew
Daniel, John	Hoyt, Asa A	Wallace, William
Ellis, Benjamin Franklin	McAllister, William Francis	Whittier, James Eugene
Graham, William Findley		—13.

EXCLUDED:

Bradbury, Wm. Blackstone Friedberg, Morris Salamon—2.

DIED:

Curry, Nathaniel	Mendelson, Solomon	Spaulding, George
Jackson, David Bonnard	Mosgrove, Samuel	Steiger, Charles Frederick
Kerr, James Patterson	Myers, William	Winter, Washington General
		—9.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report	407	Withdrawn	7
Exalted	47	Susp. for non-payment of dues..	13
Affiliated	7—461.	Excluded.....	2
		Died	9
		Now borne upon the roll.....	430—461.

SONORA CHAPTER, No. 2.**Sonora, Tuolumne County.***Stated Meetings, Wednesday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Eduard Keil, <i>High Priest,</i>	Alonzo Colby, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
Frank Wilson Street, <i>King,</i>	James Edgar Requa, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Thomas Washington Wells, <i>Scribe,</i>	Archibald Patterson, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
John Mundorf, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Charles Edward Street, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Thomas Arthur Stiles Hender, <i>Secretary,</i>	Charles Henry Burden, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Joseph Moore Hampton, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Abraham Barlow, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Stephen Wing,	Solomon Benas,	William Giles Long,
Edwin Aldrich Rodgers,	Alonzo Colby,	Eduard Keil.
James Bell,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Bacon, Martin	Johnson, Andrew Porter	Rudorff, William Gustav
Byrd, Francis Jahew	Lang, Charles Edward	Sharwood, William
Calhoun, Henry Clay	Leon, Samuel	Vial, John
Collins, John	Mathews, James	Wade, Charles Frederick
Cooley, John	Mitchell, Frederick Francis	West, John Henry
Divoll, James George	Parsons, Edmond	Yancey, Tryon Milton—36.
Foeasterling, Louis, Jr.		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Eichelroth, William Egidius	Moek, Benjamin	Rooney, John Francis.—3
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DIED:

Carter, John Beach—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....40	Susp. for non-payment of dues.... 3
	Died 1
	Now borne upon the roll. ....36—40

SACRAMENTO CHAPTER, No. 3.**Sacramento, Sacramento County.***Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

John Hurley, <i>High Priest,</i>	Louis Cyrus Schindler, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
Frank Lytle Thirkield, <i>King,</i>	Charles Richard Goss, <i>Royal Arch Capt.,</i>
John Walter Boyd, <i>Scribe,</i>	William Ladd Willis, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Edward Lyon, <i>Treasurer,</i>	William Hewson Davis, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Edwin Glover, <i>Secretary,</i>	David Farr, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
William Durrant Knights, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	George Frederick Bronner, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

William Franklin Knox,	Alfred Augustus Bedington,	John William Rock,
Powell Samuel Lawson,	Cornelius Kellogg,	Richard Palmer Burr,
Wm. Mon. Petrie, <i>P. G. H. P.,</i>	Joseph Davey,	Jacob Hyman, Jr.,
Wm. Buckley Davis, <i>G. H. P.,</i>	Alexander John Gardiner,	Thomas Cross Pockman,
Charles Mortimer Coglan,	Rufus Burnham Harmon,	Thos. Maria Bittancourt.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Abbott, Augustus	Davis, James Gilliland	Hatch, Wilbur Mark
Adams, Oliver Miller	Decker, Horace Washing'n	Hawk, Elbridge Lafayette
Alexander, Benj. Franklin	Dennerly, Alphonse	Hawkins, William
Allen, John Francis	Denson, Samuel Crawford	Heilbron, Adolph
Alltucker, Henry	Dierssen, Geo. Ernest Aug't	Heilbron, Henry August
Andrews, Adam	Dixon, William Henry	Herzog, Philip
Andrews, John Nichols	Domingos, John	Hevener, William Henry
Atkinson, Edmund Clement	Dresher, Valentine	Hickey, William Edward
Baldwin, William Hedges	Drew, Nathaniel Lafayette	Hoag, William Moffet
Ball, Charles Henry	Dunn, George	Hollister, Dwight
Barrett, Isaac Thomas	Dwyer, Michael	Holmes, Henry T
Bassett, William Walter	Ecklon, Christian Ludwig	Hoover, Benjamin Van Zandt
Bergevin, Nelson Langevin	Eilers, Theodore George	Hopkins, Edwin Carmi
Bliss, Sydney	Fay, Newton Murray	Howell, Sydney Algernon
Block, Morris	Ferriter, Thomas	Hubbard, Cyrus Hayden
Bragg, Henry William	Fillmore, Jerome Adolphus	Hubbs, Anthony
Braun, August	Fleming, Frank	Huggins, Henri Tyler
Briggs, William Ellery	Flye, Charles Eben	Hull, Joseph
Brown, Byron Bradley	Forbes, Robert	Hyman, Daniel
Brown, Jay Roshell	Foster, James Stewart	Hyman, Jacob, Sr.
Bugbey, Benjamin Norton	Fox, Thomas	Ingham, Harry
Bumps, George Henry	Foye, Wm. Robinson Smith	Inwalle, John Joseph
Burchard, James Philo	Frank, Samuel	Irvine, Richard Outrer
Burnett, Augustus	Fraser, Henry Carpenter	Irvine, William John
Burnham, James Henry	Frommelt, Hugo	Jackson, William Franklin
Calderwood, Job Francis	Frost, Amos Locke	Johnson, Hiram Warren
Carroll, Edgar Barolay	Gallatin, Albert	Johnson, Julian Workman
Carroll, Harry Winans	George, Wilbur Forest	Johnston, William
Caswell, William Averill	Gerber, William Emil	Jones, William Rowland
Champlin, Nelson	Gerson, Samuel	Just, John Peter
Chapman, Bernard Henry	Gett, William Andrew, Jr.	Ketchum, Marvin Alonzo
Chapman, George Warren	Gillis, Dugald	Knight, William Rudd
Christy, Edward	Gottlieb, Samuel	Lambert, Frank Ellis
Church, William Smithers	Graham, Louis Edgar	La Rue, Hugh McElroy
Clark, Jerome Franklin	Gray, Alexander Isaac	Lavenson, Samuel
Cluness, William Robert	Gray, Arthur Irvine	Lawson, Walter Brockaw
Cohn, Edward Francis	Green, Peter B	Levison, Jacob
Coleman, Timothy	Gregg, George	Levy, Edward Roger
Conaway, George Winfield	Gregory, Eugene Julius	Lewis, Samuel Amanza
Cook, Hiram	Gregory, Frank	Lightner, Bonus
Coolidge, Isaac Baldwin	Griffitts, John T	Little, Christopher
Coppersmith, Michael Thos.	Gruhler, John	Littlefield, Lewis Bateman
Cothrin, William Kip	Guthrie, John William	Locke, George Washington
Crocker, Henry Smith	Hale, Evert Wilburn	Lufkins, Harry Tileston
Crofton, John	Hale, Marshall, Jr.	Lykins, Preston Lodwick
Croly, Edward James	Hale, Prentiss Cobb	McAlister, Adam Armstrong
Crouch, Eugene Ackley	Hall, Thomas Bertram	McArthur, John
Cunningham, John Austin	Hamilton, William Brown	McKay, Daniel
Curtis, Nathaniel Greene	Hammer, Moshelm Schm'r	McKee, Edward Hervey
Coleman, Timothy	Harper, Thomas	McKee, James Anderson
Dale, Richard	Harris, David	McLaughlin, William
Davis, Jacob Zeigler	Haskell, Dudley Haines	Meister, August
	Hatch, James Darrow	Menke, Anton

Merrill, John Francis	Putnam, George Alford	Taverner, George
Miller, Peter Andrew	Railton, George William	Taverner, Thomas Moore
Miller, William Buchanan	Rath, Elias	Todd, John William
Mills, James Edgar	Rego, Edward Sutherland	Tufts, Albert Currier
Moore, Robert H	Resseguié, James Gleason	Ulp, Alfred
Moore, Seth Beardsley	Richards, John	Van Fleet, William Carey
Mouser, Silas Mercer	Roberts, John Henry	Van Voorhies, Albert Alex.
Nathan, Samuel	Robinson, Robert	Vermilya, Abram John
Nelson, Clarence Newton	Rohrer, Fred William	Wachhorst, Herman
Nevis, Manuel Silva	Runyon, Solomon	Wallace, Campbell William
Nichols, Arthur Lambard	Scheunert, Carl Emil	Wallquist, Carl Johan
Ochsner, John	Schroth, John George	Waterhouse, Columbus
Odell, Merrill Francis	Scott, Thomas James	Welch, Benjamin
Olney, Cephas Charles	Sheldon, William Chauncey	Welch, Geo. Drake
Olsen, Jens Romeo	Sindelar, Joseph	West, Daniel
O'Neil, James	Smith, Benjamin	White, George Amos
Pacheco, Romualdo	Smith, Frank Augustus	Wilcoxsen, Jefferson
Payne, Jeremiah Newton	Smith, Thomas	Wilder, Joel Osgood
Peck, Nelson Stanley	Stanley, Leander	Willard, David Wright
Perkins, William Dana	Stanton, Perrin	Willis, Evander Berry
Peterson, Wm. Frederic	Steffens, Joseph	Wilson, Jesse Warren
Phillips, George	Steinman, Bernhard Ulmer	Witham, Gilbert Tapley
Phillips, Louis	Steinmeyer, Fred'k Wilhelm	Woodburn, Charles Gabriel
Pike, John Elias Tucker	Stevens, Charles Henry	Woodburn, James
Platt, Philemon Eli	Stevenson, Henry Llewellyn	Wood, William
Porter, James Nicholas	Stober, Frederick Conrad	Wright, John Bascom
Porter, Clive William	Strader, Harvey Winton	Yoerk, August Charles
Potter, William Alfred	Sutcliffe, Levi Beardsley	Young, John Nelles—270.

MARK MASTER:

Mitchell, William—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Meserve, John Gideon—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Jenkins, Charles Osberry

Parsons, Charles Robert—2.

DIED:

Bartels, George Henry Wm.
Haymond, Creed

Jacobs, Louis
Krebs, Charles Henry

Sawyer, James Conway—6.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	264	Withdrawn	1
Exalted	9	Susp. for non-payment of dues..	2
Affiliated	5	Died.....	5
Restored.....	1--279.	Error in last report.....	1
		Now borne upon the roll.....	270—279.

CALIFORNIA CHAPTER, No. 5.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first and third Tuesdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

Robert Ash, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Joseph Gardner Baston, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
Charles William Decker, <i>King</i> ,	Hugh James Owen, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
John Allen Hoamer, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Robert McMillan, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Hiram Throop Graves, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	George Milligan McLane, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Franklin Henry Day, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Christopher Heyer, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Benjamin Franklin Jellison, <i>Capt. of Host</i> ,	Samuel David Mayer, <i>Organist</i> ,
	James Oglesby, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Reuben Edgar Raimond,	David Pugh Marshall,
William Henry Lyon,	Edward Potter Cressey,
Hiram Throop Graves,	Charles Lewis Patton,
Alfred Coolidge Walitt,	Henry Ascroft,
Joseph Miller Litchfield,	George Dietterle,
John Elbridge Purdy,	John Kirkpatrick, <i>P. G. H. P.</i> ,
Abraham Halsey,	Thomas Kyle,
Franklin Henry Day, <i>P. G. H. P.</i> ,	Albert Frederick Knorp,
Isaac Stanwood Locke,	William Abraham Davies, <i>P. G. H. P.</i>

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Adams, Joseph Willard	Blair, Walter Beasley	Buckingham, Aurelius E.
Allen, Richard Spicer	Blake, Charles Edward	Bunker, Robert Elmer
Allen, William Alvord	Blake, Edward Presbrey	Burns, Henry Bernard
Ames, Frank Holmes	Blaser, John Christian	Burtis, Robert Wallace
Anderson, Isaac	Bloomer, John Godfrey	Callahan, Charles
Anderson, Winslow	Blossom, Henry Eckford	Oallinan, William
Armstrong, George Robert	Bone, Charles	Campbell, Robert
Atkinson, Thos. Thompson	Booth, Andrew George	Campbell, Walter Chauncey
Baker, Charles Henry	Boyes, James	Carr, John George
Baldwin, Alfred Walton	Bragg, Frank	Castle, Stephen
Baldwin, Sherman Charles	Bragg, Robert	Center, John
Ballard, Jedediah Stow	Breidenbach, Emile Henry	Chapin, Dinsmore Davis
Band, Henry Frederick	Breon, Paul	Chesley, Charles Palmer
Bandmann, Charles Julius	Bridge, William Edward	Childs, George
Barclay, Peter Thomas	Brigham, Calvin Oaks	Christian, Ceasar
Barclay, Robert Henry	Brinckerhoff, Harman	Church, Edward Bentley
Barnes, Wm. Henry Linow	Brittan, Nathaniel Jones	Clark, John Franklin
Barnes, William Sanford	Bromley, George Tisdale	Clifford, James Benjamin
Barahisel, Epenetus Ro'g's	Brown, Arthur Page	Oloak, Harry Bordell
Bauer, John Christian	Brown, Charles Frederick	Cockrill, Theo. Guevara
Baum, David Andrew	Brown, Henry Adams	Cogswell, James Lafayette
Benedict, Courtland Smith	Brown, Tom Adamaon	Cole, Edward Pleasant
Benson, John Adelbert	Brown, William Anderson	Cole, Richard Beverly
Binge, Theo. Christoph Dan'l	Brown, William Graham	Coleman, Carlton Chinn
Birch, William Henry	Browning, Jeremiah	Coleman, William Warren
Black, Howard	Bruce, James Henderson	Conway, George
Blackburn, David Otis	Bruns, Henry Frederick	Cords, David Andrew

Cox, Alexander Middleton	Fickett, James Everett	Hatch, Theodore Henry
Cox, Henry	Field, Alfred Bishop	Hauxhurst, Samuel Weeks
Cox, Palmer	Fielディング, Samuel Marion	Heald, Edward Payson
Crim, William Henry	Finck, Julius	Hedley, John
Crocker, Calvin Harlow	Firth, Joseph Kirk	Heinlen, Goethe Augustus
Crocker, Charles Frederick	Fisher, Will Everett	Hellwig, Christian
Crocker, William Henry	Fiske, Henry Mortimer	Hemstreet, Albert David
Cross, Charles Vernon	Fiske, William Henry	Heuer, William Henry
Cummings, Henry Addison	Fitzgerald, William Thomas	Highton, Henry Edward
Cummings, Walter Bailey	Flint, Brilsford Pease	Hildebrandt, Carsten
Curtis, John Morrison	Fonda, William Middleton	Hindes, Edward Brooks
Daggett, John Randolph	Fonda, William Thomas	Hobbs, John Kimble Carl'n
Dall, Peter Peterson	Foster, Arthur William	Hodgdon, James Peverly
Dalton, Franklin	Foster, William Barrett	Hodge, Robert
Dalton, Thomas Benton	French, Frank James	Hoffman, Henry Nathaniel
Daniell, William Henry	Frollich, Theodore	Hopkins, Timothy
Davis, Winfield Scott	Frost, Eugene	Horn, Bernard Jeremiah
Dean, Peter	Gabbs, Albert Steven Isaiah	Horton, Thomas Rotch
De Witt, Thomas Byron	Garratt, Benjamin Franklin	Hotelling, Anson Parsons
Dick, Daniel John	Gillson, John	Howard, Horace Zerah
Dickinson, John Henry	Girvin, James William	Howes, Cyrus Pierce
Dodd, Willis Gorman	Godley, Montgomery	Hubbard, Henry Calvin
Dorn, Marcellus Americus	Goodban, Francis Edward	Hubbard, Thomas Jay
Doud, Aaron	Goodman, Theodore Henry	Husted, Orson Justus
Dougherty, Charles Medley	Grade, William Adolph	Humphreys, James Holroyd
Dowling, Thomas Henry	Grant, Thomas Chamberlain	Hurlbut, Reuben Preston
Driffeld, Vero Carus	Grauerholz, Henry John	Hutchinson, Ely Israel
Duboce, Victor Donglaim	Graves, Charles Henry	Iredale, Charles Winslow
Dugan, Charles Edwin	Gray, De Witt Clinton	Jackson, Alden W
Duncan, Benjamin Beatty	Green, Charles Ernest	Jacobs, Albert
Dunn, James	Greenwood, Monroe	Jaynes, Frank
Eagleson, John Geddes	Grey, John Thomas	Jeffers, Milo Sidney
Earl, John Ogden	Griffin, John Wesley	Jeffray, William
Earle, Henry Halford	Griffith, John Beruth	Jenks, George Washington
Earle, Slade Anthony, Jr.	Griffiths, Thomas Hamlyn	Jewett, George Albert
Easton, Ansel Mills	Gunn, Benjamin McKay	Johnson, Albert de M'tfredy
Easton, Wendell	Hale, Reuben Brooks	Johnson, George
Eaton, Frank Eugene	Hall, Robert	Johnson, Mathias
Eckart, William Roberts	Hallett, Alonzo	Jones, Cyrus Winship
Eddy, Richard A	Halstead, James La Fayette	Jones, Edward Thomas
Ede, William	Hamilton, Hiram Milton	Jones, Henry Isaacs
Edgar, Dan Joseph	Hammond, Andrew Benoni	Jones, John Richard
Edmondson, John George	Hammond, John	Jones, William
Edwards, William	Hammond, Rich'd Pindell, Jr.	Jones, William Arthur
Eklund, John Peter	Hammond, Samuel Chester	Jones, William Gustus
Elliot, Charles Emery	Hansen, Carl Christian A	Jost, Charles
Estee, Morris March	Hanson, Edw'd Henscheldey	Jost, Charles, Jr.
Evans, Chester Hepburn	Harbourne, John Wesley	Jost, Joseph
Evans, Joseph John	Hare, Elias C	Jost, William Rheinhard
Evans, Luther John	Hart, Wm. Henry Harrison	Judd, Garritt Pitt
Ewell, Luther Jerome	Hartshorne, Benj. Minturn	Kellogg, Frank Harvey
Ewing, James Stanley	Haskell, Charles Lyman	Kelly, Robert Gabriel
Fargo, Jerome Bonaparte	Hatch, James Henry	Kennedy, Frank

Kennedy, John Fitzmaurice	McAfee, William Adam	Parker, Edward Fletcher
Kent, Thaddeus Benning	McCarty, James	Parson, Edward
Kenyon, Curtis George	McClure, Stewart	Partridge, Edward Briggs
Kern, Morris James	McComb, John	Paterson, Alex. Van Rens'r
Keyser, Paul	McConnell, Chalmers New'n	Payne, Warren Ritch
Keyston, William Donald	McCullough, H. Van Schaick	Peck, John Edward
Kimball, Moses Coombe	McDonnell, Samuel Alex'er	Peckham, William Henry
Kincaid, John Evans	McGann, Patrick Henry	Peel, Jonathan Morf'ew
King, Henry Lewis	McGeorge, William Connolly	Peel, Robert Thomas
King, Joseph Libbey	McKeon, John	Periam, Charles James
Kinne, Charles Mason	McNee, Alexander	Perley, Albion Starbird
Kinsey, Kerst	McNee, John Hunter	Peterson, Arthur Simison
Knight, George Alexander	McNutt, William Frederick	Phillips, Nathan Fraser
Knipe, Thomas John	Meigs, Anson Woodman	Phillips, William Rippard
Koenig, Frank	Mentz, John Henry	Plum, Charles Mortimer
Kohler, Henry	Meston, Robert	Porter, Thomas Alexander
Koscialowski, Philip Leon	Metzner, Charles Francis	Preston, Edgar Frank
Kramer, Louis George	Miller, Robert Buchanan	Price, Arthur Faraday
Krieg, Anton	Mills, Edward Tyrrell Bisset	Price, Thomas
Kron, Oscar Jacob	Minor, Theodore Henry	Prior, John Lewis
Lacey, Albert Ernest	Mitchell, Robert Brent	Ralston, William Chapman
Landers, John	Montague, Wilford Weed	Read, Henry Lawrence
Landgrebe, Robert George	Montealegre, Carlos Fran'co	Redding, Joseph Deighan
Lane, William	Moore, Andrew	Beder, John
Lane, William Edmund	Moore, Arthur Weld	Reese, Evan Leander
Latson, Francis Palmer	Moore, Elliott Josiah	Reid, James William
Lawson, Andrew	Moore, Robert S	Reis, John O'Neal
Leibold, Jacob George	Morfew, Thomas	Reynolds, Frank Augustus
Leydecker, Theo. William	Morgan, Charles Augustus	Rice, Frank Scott
Little, George Edward	Morgan, David, Jr.	Rice, Richard James
Little, William Tell	Morgan, Frederick Charles	Riordan, Thomas Daniel
Lloyd, Reuben Hedley	Morgan, John Stillwell	Robertson, Wm. Alexander
Lockwood, Thomas	Morrow, William W	Rodgers, Arthur
Logan, Milburn Hill	Morse, John Frederick	Ross, Donald
Long, John Thomas	Morton, Thomas	Rugg, Amos Uriah
Lovelace, Arthur Stuart	Muller, John	Rundell, William Mason
Lowell, Albert Carroll	Murdock, George Leonard	Russ, Henry Beauchamp
Lucas, John William	Murphy, Samuel Green	Russell, John Adams
Lucas, Walter Edward	Nagle, Richard Hamilton	Russell, Monson
Lundquist, Edward Charles	Nash, Charles	Ryan, Michael
Lutz, William Edward	Neal, Charles Sanders	Sabin, John Ira
Lux, Frank Antoin	Neal, George Folger	Salsbury, Charles
Lyman, Charles	Newhall, Edwin White	Salsbury, Warren Higgins
Macdonald, William	Newhall, Harry Gregory	Sanborn, William David
Maguire, Michael Edward	Nixon, James Henry	Schmidt, Valentine
Mann, Azro Levi	Noonen, John	Schreiber, Martin Aug. Wm.
Martin, Alexander	Norcross, Daniel	Scott, Ebenezer
Martin, Minor Silas	North, George Loomis	Scott, Thomas William
Marye, George Thomas, Jr.	O'Brien, Thomas V	Segesser, John Ulrich
Mathews, Henry Allen	Osborn, Lamartine	Seibel, Philipp
Mathews, Henry Edward	Osborn, Robert Folger	Seymour, Simon Harry
Mathews, William	Otersen, Herman	Shattuck, David Dustin
Mathewson, John	Parish, Mark	Shoobert, John Edmund

Shortridge, Samuel Morgan	Swenson, John Augustus	Ward, William Braddon
Shortt, Lawrence Hartshorne	Swift, James Flitcroft	Warren, Joseph Maxwell
Simpson, James	Tait, William Cave	Warwick, James Blain
Skrivington, John Franklin	Taylor, George McClellan	Waterhouse, Fred. Adelbert
Slack, Charles William	Taylor, John Brinkworth	Waters, George Latham
Smith, Emory Evans	Thompson, George	Watkins, Alonzo Augustus
Smith, Francis	Thompson, George Howard	Webster, Artemas
Smith, George Sedgwick	Thomson, Thomas	Weed, Merritt Herman
Smith, George Strait	Thornton, Samuel Kennedy	Weldon, William Edwin
Smith, Harry Burt, Jr.	Thrall, Henry Homer	Wells, Asa Reynolds
Smith, Henry Julian	Tierney, Charles Henry	Wells, William
Smith, James Jerome	Tonningsen, John	Wheaton, Milton Alverd
Smith, Lewis Warren	Trobock, Bartholo'w Nich's	Whitcomb, Frank Randolph
Smith, William Frederick	Turner, James Frederick	White, Lovell
Smith, William Jacob	Vail, Akin Hiller	Whitham, John Hastings
Soomann, Johan Joa'm Theo.	Vance, George Prescott	Wieland, Robert Paul
Sowers, Frederick	Vanderslice, Wm. Keyser	Wilkie, Andrew
Spear, Gustavus Langford	Van Duzer, Oliver	Wilmans, Stephen Caleb
Spear, Lewis Eugene	Veen, Frank Joseph	Wilson, Charles Harold
Spence, Abel Strain	Vetter, Philipp	Wilson, John Henry
Stadtfeld, Jacob	Volkmann, Rudolph	Wilson, William Archibald
Stafford, William Gardner	Von Schmidt, Alexey Wal'r	Woodbury, Warren Dean
Starbird, Albion Wilson	Von Staden, George	Woodlock, John
Stark, William Alexander	Wadsworth, James C. Luke	Woods, Harry Frank
Stande, Fred	Wagner, August Henry	Woodward, Gideon Paschall
Steiner, Nicholas	Wagner, John	Wright, Charles William
Stevens, William Emerson	Walker, James Greig	Wright, Cyrus Smith
Stockfleth, John	Walker, Robert Andrew	York, William
Stoddart, Augustus Wynne	Walsh, George Charles	Young, Shirley Trevor
Sumner, Frank William	Warburton, Samuel	Younger, Wm. John—520.
Swain, Edward Robinson	Ward, William	

MOST EXCELLENT MASTER:

Dominguez, Richard Arthur—1.

RESTORED:

Cook, Nicholas Leonidas	Spence, Abel Strain	Valentine, John—5.
Harbourne, John Wesley	Stoddart, Augustus Wynne	

WITHDRAWN:

Anthony, Edward Augustus	Knight, Edmund Ewell	Pitchford, John Benjamin
Cook, Nicholas Leonidas	Merry, William Lawrence	Rugg, Joseph Percival,
Fisher, George Augustine	Okell, Charles John	Valentine, John—11.
Jewett, Philo Dennis	Peck, John Henry Fenton	

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Berryman, Henri Burpee	Maddox, Cabel Harrison	Pearce, George Frank
Ehle, Hiram Bauber	Nelson, William Henry	Robertson, John Worcester
Lick, James William	Parmelee, James Edward	—8.

DIED:

Barrows, Charles Dana	Howard, Charles Selby	Ramage, Walter James
Fargo, Earl Alexander	Howe, George Washington	Stringer, William James
Gilmore, Archibald Neill	Jones, Charles Le Barron	Titus, Isaac Sutvene, P. G.
Grossetta, Martin	Nagle, George Dedrich	H. P. —11.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	499	Withdrawn	11
Exalted.....	42	Susp. for non-payment of dues...	8
Affiliated.....	4	Died	11
Restored.	5—550.	Now borne upon the roll.....	520—550.

NEVADA CHAPTER, No. 6.

Nevada, Nevada County.

Stated Meetings, second Monday in each month.

OFFICERS:

George Lovett Hughes, <i>High Priest</i> ,	William Thomas Morgan, <i>Pr. Sojourner</i> ,
David Eddy Morgan, <i>King</i> ,	William Barton, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Sherman Ward Marsh, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Milan Buchard Siddles, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
John Thomas Morgan, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Daniel Marsh, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Ianthis Jerome Rolfe, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James O White, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Edw'd Alex. Tompkins, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	Antonio Tam, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Thos. H. Caswell, <i>P. G. H. P.</i> ,	Halstead Stansfield,	Joseph Thomas,
Thomas Mein,	Kaskil Casper,	William Barker,
Ianthis Jerome Rolfe,	Martin Luther Marsh,	Edward Myers Preston.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Barrett, Charles Augustus	Floyd, William	McBrown, John
Bernardo, Manuel Joseph	Folene, Antone	McElvey, Charles
Bridges, Edwin David	Gaylord, George Cook	Pease, Sanford Orin
Buffington, John Mason, Jr.	Goodwin, Jeremiah Samuel	Reid, James
Chapman, Lucius Homer	Hale, Horace	Richards, William Gilbert
Clemo, William	Hampton, Elisha	Rose, David
Crandall, Orman	Hanley, William A	Rose, James
Curnow, Robert	Holland, Jacob La Fayette	Searls, Fred
Eddy, Charles Henry	Holmes, William	Searls, Niles
Edwards, Samuel Edward	Kendrick, Levi Jackson	Shaw, George Crawford
Ennis, Franklin	Langley, Eadie Henry	Tellam, Frederick
Evans, John	Long, William David	Tilley, Edwin
Fleming, Jos. Davenport	McBean, John	Tower, Alonzo Douglas

—59.

DIED:

Robbins, John Trathan

Williamson, Levi—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	57	Died.....	2
Exalted.....	4—61.	Now borne upon the roll.....	59—61.

BENICIA CHAPTER, No. 7.**Benicia, Solano County.***Stated Meetings, every alternate Wednesday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Allan Page Sanborn, <i>High Priest,</i>	———, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
John Scharfenberger, <i>King,</i>	Elijah Morton, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
George Richard Duval, <i>Scribe,</i>	Simon Johnston, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Charles King, <i>Treasurer,</i>	James Buchanan McKenzie, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Alvin Stone Parritt, <i>Secretary,</i>	James Ambrose Smith, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Morgan Williams, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Samuel John Filer, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Thomas McKay,	Allan Page Sanborn,	Elijah Morton.
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ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Danforth, Edwin	McKay, William	Mounce, John
Hahn, Henry Casper	Mizner, Lansing Bond	Reugar, John
Johnson, Joseph Green	Montgomery, Thos. Bailey	Weinmann, Louis—23.
McArthur, Murdock	Moore, William Louis	

PAST MASTERS:

Johnson, Walter	Newmark, Richard—2.
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RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....23. Now borne upon the roll.....23.

SHASTA CHAPTER, No. 9.**Shasta, Shasta County.***Stated Meetings, second and fourth Tuesdays in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Morris Mehon, <i>High Priest,</i>	George Howard Sechrist, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
Albert Frederick Ross, <i>King,</i>	Jewitt Scranton, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Arnold Charles Dolde, <i>Scribe,</i>	Alexander Leiter, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
William Alex. Boswell, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Sylvester Hull, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Daniel Potter Bystle, <i>Secretary,</i>	John William Garden, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Elijah Mason Dixon, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Gunther Chas. F. Schroeter, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Adolph Dobrowsky,	Joseph Weill,	Elijah Mason Dixon,
Daniel Potter Bystle,	Clay Webster Taylor,	Morris Mehon.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Andrew, William	Bowden, John Peter	Hainline, Charles Grant
Andrews, Alex. Robertson	Cutter, Harry Hill	Harvey, John Weeley
Averill, George Warren	Drynan, James Angus	Huester, Louis Frederick
Bedford, James Franklin	Greene, Thomas	Hersinger, John

Herron, Matthew Wilkes	Recardo, John D	Strode, John Sale
Kellner, Wilhelm	Reynolds, John Edward	Sweeny, Edward
Martin, Rufus Franklin	Ross, Herman Frederick	Syme, John
McDonald, Luke	Scammon, James Freeman	Thatcher, Geo. Washington
McKean, William Pierce	Scott, John Varner	Weil, David
Mitchell, Marshall Alex.	Shanahan, Thad. Wilson Huff	Weil, Sigmund
Nichols, James Levin	Shuffleton, Hugh Hall	Wimmer, James Moses
Overmeyer, Charles Edwin	Smith, Albert Ferdinand	Winsell, James Fletcher
Plumb, Mayne	Smith, Thomas Burton	Witherow, Samuel Newton
Reagan, James	Souter, John	—56.

WITHDRAWN:

Martin, Edward Armstead

Warrington, Thomas Henry—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Shearin, Daniel Thomas—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....57	Withdrawn.....2
Exalted.....2—59.	Suspended for non-payment of dues 1
	Now borne upon the roll.....56—59.

SUTTER CHAPTER, No. 11.

Sutter Creek, Amador County.

Stated Meetings, third Friday in each month.

OFFICERS:

William Henry Gunsolus, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Robert Pope, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
Robert John Adams, <i>King</i> ,	Louis Katz, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Walter Scott Cooledge, <i>Scribe</i> ,	John Roger Tregloan, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
George Allen, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thomas William Trudgen, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Frank Arthur Voorheis, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Morris Brinn, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
John McDougll Post, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	John Jelmini, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Alvinza Hayward,	John Lithgow,	Wallace Kay,
John Whitten Surface,	John McDougll Post,	Edward Converse Voorheis,
Robert Aitken,	Robert Redpath,	Morris Brinn.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Bell, William	Marchant, John	Surface, Jacob
Bennetts, William Arthur	Milliken, Jesse	Surface, James Phillip
Clute, Peter Alonzo	Minear, John Ingersol	Sutherland, George
Frates, Frank	Ould, John	Templeton, Isaac Newton
Hall, Henry Frank	Owens, Hugh Owen	Walter, Henry Franklin
Harvey, William James	Patterson, David Anderson	Whitelach, Daniel Henry
Isaacs, Bernhard	Richardson, Lorenzo C.	Yelmini, Victor Pacific—42.
Jennings, William	Robinson, Robert	

PAST MASTER:

Perkins, John Dabney—1.

DIED:

Steinberger, John Adams—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....44	Died..... 1
	Error in last report..... 1
	Now borne upon the roll.....42—44.

MERCED CHAPTER, No. 12.**Merced, Merced County.***Stated Meetings, second and fourth Wednesdays in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Robert Gracey, <i>High Priest,</i>	Albert Pitzer, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
Giacomo Garibaldi, <i>King,</i>	Charles Simon, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Walter Nathan Sherman, <i>Scribe,</i>	Adolph Jacob Zirker, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Carter Landram, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Edward Stephen O'Brien, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
James Leonard, <i>Secretary,</i>	Oscar Alexander Baker, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Aaron Badt, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Thomas Albert Hall, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Hiram Newton Rucker,	Carter Landram,	Albert Pitzer,
Arthur Homer Dauchy,	Aaron Badt,	William Lewis Silman.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Adams, William	Hart, William John	Schroder, John George
Barfield, George Hardwick	Hunt, William Horton	Simonson, John Henry
Becker, Frederick	Jacobs, Isaac Henry	Snyder, John Washington
Draper, Wilbur Fiske	Jones, Lewis Fuller	Sproule, Isaac Henry
Fleming, Charles Edgar	Means, William Leland	Stoddard, Ebenezer Maxwell
Gribble, James Thomas	Neighbor, Gilbert Bodine	Stoneroad, Geo. Washington
Hammatt, Robert William	Rector, Elbridge Gerry	Thorn, Joseph Franklin
Hardwick, Wm. Jefferson	Roes, Henry Christofer	Warfield, Chs. Alex. Hamilton
Harris, Charles Parsons	Russell, John	Westbay, William Wesley
		—42.

WITHDRAWN:

Wassman, Max—1.

EXCLUDED:

Bearwald, Henry	Bernard, John Kirk	Dunbar, Harry—3.
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DIED:

Galland, Joseph Barnett—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....44	Withdrawn..... 1
Exalted..... 3—47.	Excluded..... 3
	Died..... 1
	Now borne upon the roll.....42—47.

WASHINGTON CHAPTER, No. 13.

Marysville, Yuba County.

Stated Meetings, second Friday in each month.

OFFICERS:

William Flint Peacock, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Ortis Frederick Lee, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
William Andrew Lowrey, <i>King</i> ,	Albert Julius Menz, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Randolph Whitney Skinner, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Frank B Miller, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Jesse Beech Fuller, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Peter Engel, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Charles E Stone, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James Orion Rusby, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Henry Charles Lott, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	John George McLellan, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Norman Dunning Rideout,	Thomas Hugh Steel,	Amasa Willey White,
Charles E Stone,	Henry Charles Lott,	Alexander Cameron Irwin,
Andrew Jackson Binney,	Samuel Josiah Smith Rogers,	John George McLellan.
Lemuel Trescott Crane,	Joseph Swaim Dallam,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Aaron, Francis Wm. Howard	Fraser, Daniel	Nelson, William Harvey
Adams, Charles Dinkel	Gianella, Vincenzo	North, George
Aubrey, Frank Cornelius	Gibson, Alexander	Oakley, Amasa Wilder
Barrie, John Ferguson	Goad, William Frank	Ostrom, Daniel Augustus
Batchelder, Adoniram J'ck'n	Gottwals, William	Oyster, William M
Belcher, Isaac Sawyer	Graffis, Alonzo	Pascoe, Charles Flood
Belcher, William Caldwell	Griffith, Irwin	Peck, William Francis
Berry, Campbell Polson	Haggood, Charles	Peffler, John
Berry, James McConnell	Haus, Ferdinand	Peters, Joseph
Bevan, Thomas Edward	Haynes, James	Phillips, Joseph
Bingham, Atkins Clark	Henn, William Theophilis	Pincus, Emil
Bomatter, Charles	Hewett, Arthur Hathaway	Sanborn, Miles Edward
Bradley, Samuel Henry	Hochstadter, Adolph	Saul, Jeremiah Andrew
Brittan, Robert Edward Lee	Hochstadter, Simon	Saye, George Marion
Burner, Henry	Holland, George	Schuler, Conrad
Carpenter, Geo. Washington	Hortop, Philip	Slingsby, William
Chase, Thomas	Hudson, Edward Henry	Soderlund, Johannes
Clements, William Andrew	Hull, Theodore Benson	Soderlund, Noach
Cohn, Isaac Geballe	Hunter, William	Stanwood, Richard Goss
Dahling, Henry Frank Fred	Hutchins, Gavin Walker	Stoddard, William Seward
Davis, Edwin Amenzo	Jasper, Jos. M. Carrington	Stratton, Cornelius Allen
Deaner, Samuel Christian	Kells, Robert Cornelius	Swain, William Caldwell
DeWitt, William Golder	Knight, David Edgar	Thom, David, Jr.
Dixon, John	Kosby, Augustus Emil	Thompson, Ernest Briceno
Dougall, Thomas	Landecker, David	Walton, Benjamin Franklin
Duncan, John Lewis	Lask, Joseph	Walton, Hiram Aaron, Jr.
Earnshields, Victor Lewis	Lewek, Solomon	Webb, Charles Augustus
Eastman, James Fred	Logan, Anderson Dabney	Weber, Henry Victor
Ellis, William Turner	Marcuse, Marcus	Wilcoxson, Caleb Elisha
Engel, John Philip	Marcuse, Myer A	Willey, Amasa Parker
Ewell, Samuel	Mattison, Charles	Wilson, Wesley Thomas
Falk, Herman	Mayer, Christopher	Wilson, William Clay
Featherly, Edward Wash'n	McNutt, John Fleming	Wolters, George
Fimbret, Arthur Francis	Meek, Emerson Emmet	Wood, Ira Halstead
Fisher, Amos	Miller, Hezekiah Monroe	Woodworth, Willard Downer
Flint, Joseph A	Myrer, John Wesley	

WITHDRAWN:

Blackburn, George W

Cress, Jacob Daniel—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Dobbins, Thomas

Millar, Robert

Wilson, William Clinton—4.

Levy, Jacob

DIED:

Sullivan, John Lyon—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....122	Withdrawn.....2
Exalted.....9	Susp. for non-payment of dues. 4
Affiliated.....3—134.	Died.....1
	Now borne upon the roll.....127—134.

HOWARD CHAPTER, No. 14.

San Jose, Santa Clara County.

Stated Meetings, first Friday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Samuel Hopkins Wagener, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Edward Williams, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
William Henry Haydock, <i>King</i> ,	Milton Amos Boulware, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
George Butterfield McKee, <i>Scribe</i> ,	George Henry Bragg, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Clement Theodore Park, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Thomas Coyle, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Joseph Wheeler Cook, <i>Secretary</i> ,	George Thomas Gribner, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Clarence Haydock, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Fred Sanford Coffin, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Wm. Alex. January, <i>P.G.H.P.</i> ,	Daniel C Dunn,	Fred Sanford Coffin,
Wilbur Justus Wilcox,	Orrin Francis Mann,	Samuel Watson Boring,
William Osmond Breyfogle,	George Alex. Fleming,	Ralph Lowe.
Wilson Hays,	Wm. Winfield Blanchard,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Allen, Cyrus Hamilton	Breyfogle, Charles Wesley	Fisher, John Edward
Allison, William De Witt	Briggs, John Gregg	Flagg, Edwin Clarence
Askam, Oliver Perry	Bruner, Henry Smith	Gay, Milus Harvey
Averett, Alvis Early	Cash, Albert B	Gerichs, John Christian
Beach, Tyler	Cate, Horatio Wilson	Haley, William Wallace
Bean, George Albert	Chapman, Aid de Lyon	Hambly, Thomas Werry
Bennett, Augustus Griffin	Olinkenbeard, Kinzea Stone	Hamilton, Alonzo Babbitt
Bennett, George Edmund	Collins, Richard Everett	Hare, Andrew Jackson
Bishop, Samuel Addison	Cory, Benjamin	Hawley, William George
Blair, Thomas Henry	Cory, Benjamin Brodie	Henry, James Harrison
Bowen, Alfred	Curnow, James Russell	Herrold, Ebenezer Wilson
Bowman, George Melville	Emmerson, George	Hofstra, Sake Anton
Brackett, Jethro Nat'l Bruce	Evans, Reece Thompson	Hollis, William Henry
Bradlee, Ezra Smith	Farwell, Albert Bingham	Howard, Volney
Bray, George	Field, Arthur Gilbert	Leigh, Hugh Alexander

Lenzen, Theodore	Osborne, Antrim Edgar	Shaw, Joseph Nathan
Lighthall, George Elisha	Ownby, Thomas Powell	Shields, James Robert
Livingston, William	Peacock, Geo. Washington	Shively, Reuben Otis
Mantz, Werner Henry	Perrin, Henry	Simpson, William
Marckres, Harvey Austin	Pfau, Louis John	Sinclair, Robert B
Martin, William Joseph	Priest, Richard Turner	Spitzer, Louis Amias
Marvin, Charles	Purinton, Byron	Spring, H'y Mayo Newhall
McAfee, Andrew Finley	Purinton, Stephen Lafayette	Steele, Davis
McClosky, Thomas	Reeve, Oscar Joel	Steiger, Louis Adolph
McDougall, Giles Eggleston	Reinhart, Jacob Henry	Stevenson, Richard
McMillan, John Gilmore	Reither, Jacob	Stone, Thomas Jefferson
McMurtry, William Sharpe	Rice, Judson	Sturges, Mahlon Beach
McNeil, Albert Beebe	Righter, Francis Marion	Tisdale, William De Witt
Menzel, Robert	Roberts, Return	Trodden, Wiley Huddleston
Middleton, Joseph Traill	Robins, Charles Edwin	Tucker, John Henry
Montgomery, Thomas S	Rowley, Albanus Bellger	Vale, William
Moore, Fred Walter	Rucker, James Toliver	Walthall, Jeter Witt
Morey, Harvey Chapin	Racker, Samuel Newton	Weller, Henry Oip
Mortimer, William	Sargent, James Pattee	Wells, Proctor R
Nickerson, Franklin Levi	Sohemmel, Henry Leonhard	Wetmore, Alson L
Niehaus, Edward	Secord, James K	Woodrow, William Larkin
Northern, William Leander	Sexton, William	Wright, Henry Ward—133.

PAST MASTER:

Gober, Robert Peoris—1.

RESTORED:

Howard, Volney

Keith, John Mathew—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Beard, John Lyman

Keith, John Matthew—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Garnier, Thomas Ralph

Souders, James Newton—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	129	Withdrawn.....	2
Exalted.....	6	Susp. for non-payment of dues...	2
Restored.....	2—137.	Now borne upon the roll.....	133—137.

CYRUS CHAPTER, No. 15.

Yreka, Siskiyou County.

Stated Meetings, second Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Calvin Levi Gregory, <i>High Priest,</i>	Edward Montague Walbank, <i>Pr. Sojour.,</i>
Charles Amos Larison, <i>King,</i>	Frederick Alex. Autenrieth, <i>R. A. Captain,</i>
William Lorenzo Hubbs, <i>Scribe,</i>	Hudson B Gillis, <i>Master 3d Val,</i>
John Enoch Harmon, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Lewis Farrin Coburn, <i>Master 2d Val,</i>
Louis Nordheim, <i>Secretary,</i>	Allen Newton, <i>Master 1st Val,</i>
George Dexter Butler, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Irving Levi Eddy, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Daniel Ream,
Abisha Swain,
James Vance,

Alonzo Emery Raynes,
John Morris Walbridge,
John William Bird,

Curtis Hooper Pyle,
Henry David Robertson,
Calvin Levi Gregory.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Beem, Martin Custer
Beard, John Samuel
Bradley, James Walker
Caldwell, Daniel
Cochran, Rufus Mycajah
Cooper, Geo. Washington
Culver, Alexander Eugene
Davidson, Jas. McDermott
Davis, Alphonse G. Waah'n
Diggles, Henry Jones
De Witt, Robert Hewitt
Eddy, Norton Harvey
Fabricius, Andrew Jackson
Fitchette, Charles Lee
Gilbert, Thomas Henry
Grises, Peter Nicholas
Hansen, Hans
Harvey, Abram

Horn, David
Jones, John Johnson
Jones, Thomas
Leland, William Lester
Little, James Berkley
Long, James Franklin
Martin, Brice McClendon
Martin, Frederick
Martin, Milton Ferney
McBride, John Franklin
McBride, John W
Nichols, Henry
Nutting, Charles Wilbur
Orr, Oliver
Parker, Alexander, Jr.
Parrott, Charles Booth
Pellet, Samuel
Persons, Ammer

Prather, Clarence Morton
Ream, Henry Belden
Rice, Joseph
Richardson, James Albert
Rostetter, George
Scheld, Louis Phillip
Schuler, John Martin
Schwatka, Andrew Edward
Shade, Reuben Alor
Smith, Clarence Stewart
Smith, George
Spoonner, George Cummings
Tapscott, James Robert
Travelli, Joseph
Wadsworth, Fred'k Elijah
Wadsworth, James Henry
Weed, Abner
White, Samuel—74.

PAST MASTER:

Jillson, Charles Brooks—1.

MARK MASTER:

Lincoln, Eric Theodore—1.

RESTORED:

Diggles, Henry Jones—1.

DIED:

Brown, John Vance—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....64	Died	1
Exalted..... 6	Now borne upon the roll.....	74—75.
Affiliated..... 4		
Restored		1—75.

ST. JAMES CHAPTER, No. 16.

Placerville, El Dorado County.

Stated Meetings, third Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Henry Sylvester Morey, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Reuben Kelly Berry, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
George Washington McKee, <i>King</i> ,	Charles Fitzgerald Irwin, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
Shelley Inch, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Marco Varozza, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
John William Deuch, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Andrew Thompson Culbertson, <i>M. 2d Vail</i> ,
Charles Henry Weatherwax, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Richard Alderson, Jr., <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Frederick Ferdinand Barsa, <i>Capt. of Host</i> ,	Charles Caleb Pierce, <i>Chaplain</i> ,
James Lambeth	Weymouth, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Frederick Ferdinand Barss, James Lambeth Weymouth, Thomas Fraser,
Charles Fitzgerald Irwin, Andrew Thom'n Oulbertson, Geo. Hunting'n Burnham.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Alden, Samuel Jemison	Fisher, John Adolphus	McLean, John Marion
Avansino, Nicola	Hamel, Henry	Miller, John Wesley
Barlow, George Washington	Hume, James Bunyan	Plumado, Francis Hilar
Blair, John	Ingham, George Howard	Theisen, John
Blakeley, Alburn Jackson	Loveless, Seth	Van Voorhies, Ralph Josiah
Celio, Carlo Guisepppe	Markle, John Alexander	White, Thomas Hibbard
Crawford, John Jones	Merrill, Charles Edward	Yeadon, William—37.
Eaton, John William		

DIED:

Hoskins, Solomon Pierce—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....37 Died 1
Affiliated..... 1—38. Now borne upon the roll.....37—38.

LIBANUS CHAPTER, No. 17.

Iowa City, Placer County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

William Green Wolfe, <i>High Priest,</i>	Henry Del Re, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
Aquilla Rodona, <i>King,</i>	Willis Fish Gould, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Garrett Booth, <i>Scribe,</i>	Henry Stemple, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Edward Mitchell, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Dennis Joseph McGraw, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
James Weeks Chinn, <i>Secretary,</i>	Truman Allen Stevens, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
John Franklin Yoder, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Chester Hackett, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

William Green Wolfe, James Jasper Rich.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Barrett, Adams	Develey, Henry K	Juergensen, Peter Nicolai
Bissett, William Nelson	Hobson, John Beaugard	Lewis, Robert
Christy, William	Jacobs, James Monroe	Lord, George William
Coker, Gould Carleton	Jones, William Arthur	Smith, William—25.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....25. Now borne upon the roll.,.....25.

GRASS VALLEY CHAPTER, No. 18.

Grass Valley, Nevada County.

*Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Thomas John Michell, <i>High Priest,</i>	Frank Aver, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
James Glymo Noel, <i>King,</i>	Robert Kemp, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
John Hicks, Jr., <i>Scribe,</i>	John Harris, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Edward Coleman, <i>Treasurer,</i>	David Edwin Matteson, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
William David Harris, <i>Secretary,</i>	Thomas Ingram, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
David De Kalb Bowman, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Henry Hume Wilcox, <i>Chaplain,</i>
	Edward Nuttall, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Reuben Leach,	John Crisp Coleman,	Theodore Henry Wilhelm,
Edward Coleman, <i>P.G.H.P.,</i>	Wm. Gordon Hudson,	Thomas John Michell.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Andrews, James	Gluyas, James	Noonan, Patrick
Angove, John	Granger, Samuel	Pears, Joseph
Barker, Charles	Griffin, George	Petitjean, Theophilus
Bennallack, James	Haas, Isidor	Polglase, John
Berriman, Henry	Harris, Stephen Michael	Poole, William
Binkleman, David	Hattam, Joseph	Price, Briscoe Hugh
Body, Wm. Christopher Dart	Hill, George Washington	Richards, William
Caddy, Richard	Hooper, James	Roland, Louis Jerome
Olift, William	Husom, Andrew	Sanders, John
Coombs, William (1)	Johnston, Peter	Saxon, Edward
Coombs, William (2)	Jones, William C	Stein, Isidore
Crocker, John Ross	King, Peter	Stoddard, Alexander
Daniels, Henry	Lawrence, John	Stoddard, Orlando
Davies, David	Long, Stephen	Tregidgo, Alf
Deamer, William Elliott	Madrill, Charles Edward	Uphoff, Herman
Dodge, John Lewis	Maynard, Stephen	Vincent, George
Dorsey, Samuel Packwood	Michell, Paul Wesley	Walker, Thomas Rolla
Douglass, William	Mitchell, Charles Henry	Werry, John
Dunstan, William	Morehouse, Alphonso	Weissbein, Jacob
Elliott, Marcus Lindsey	Moore, Stephen	Weissbein, Joseph
Finnie, Robert Dryden	Noel, Richard	Woodmansee, Charles Scott
Gad, Bernard		—81.

WITHDRAWN:

Kendig, Daniel—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Brady, Alexander Buchanan	Hand, William Dawson	Rhatigan, John—4
Catron, William		

DIED:

Hand, William Henry	Whiting, Edward Houston—2.
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RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....79	Withdrawn..... 1
Exalted..... 9—88.	Susp. for non-payment of dues.... 4
	Died..... 2
	Now borne upon the roll.....81—88.

TRINITY CHAPTER, No. 19.

Weaverville, Trinity County.

Stated Meetings, second and fourth Tuesdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

John McMurry, <i>High Priest,</i>	John Clifton, <i>Mason, Principal Sojourner,</i>
William Spencer Lowden, <i>King,</i>	James Bowie <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
John William Philbrook, <i>Scribe,</i>	Betty Essick, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Peter M Paulsen, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Michael Roush Newman, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Champion W Smith, <i>Secretary,</i>	Frederick Zarli, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Detlef Hansen, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	John Henry Bremer, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

John Clifton Mason,	James Harvey,	John McMurry.
Wiley James Tinnin, <i>P. G. H. P.,</i>		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Given, James Edgar	Harvey, Alfred	Rowles, James
Given, William Cushing	Jackson, Harry Jean	Smith, John Huron
Haas, Gottlieb Frederick	Miller, Thomas Love	Van Matre, George
Hackett, George J	Paulsen, Jacob	Vollmer, William
Hardin, David	Raab, Louis Frederick	Whitebread, Adolph—29.

PAST MASTERS:

Chamberlain, Paul Rehonard	Shuford, John William—2.
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RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report..... 29 Now borne upon the roll.....29.

FRANKLIN CHAPTER, No. 20.

Oroville, Butte County.

Stated Meetings, first and third Thursdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

Thomas Wilson Servias, <i>High Priest,</i>	Warren Sexton, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
Marcus James Bigelow, <i>King,</i>	Lester Lewellyn Myers, <i>Royal Arch Capt.,</i>
George Washington Dyer, <i>Scribe,</i>	Thomas Morgan James, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
John Carleton Gray, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Lewis Elliott Norton, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Henry Chapman Hills, <i>Secretary,</i>	Charles Dennis Dunn, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
———, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	John Konstantine Mitchell, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Charles Fayette Lott,	Patrick Ogilby Hundley,	Thomas Boyd Hutchins,
George Henry Crossette,	Milton James Green,	Emanuel Briggs Morgan,
John Carleton Gray,	George James Graham,	Albert Foster Jones.
Warren Sexton,	Samuel Samuel Simon,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Biggs, Edward Earnest	Hartson, Charles Gardner	Presley, Allen
Braddock, David Washing'n	Hawkins, Orwin Cullin	Schultz, John Fridrich
Brook, Joseph Herbert	Hendricks, Thomas Pollock	Shaw, George Moore
Brown, William Alexander	Hutchins, John Sullivan	Sheridan, David
Buchanan, Phil. Goodrich	James, William	Simon, Lewis Aaron
Burroughs, Charles	Jones, Peter William	Sjoberg, Anders Gustaf
Butler, Charles Frederick	Kitchen, Isaac Warren	Sparks, Ebenezer Morrison
Chappell, Wallace H	Ludlum, Thomas Badgley	Sperry, Willard Felton
Eckart, George Robert	McDermott, Wm. Patrick	Sprague, Frederick Adams
Fagan, Edward	Medanich, George	Stafford, William Henry
Faulkner, Thomas	Melton, Leander McO.	Stone, Lewis Charles
Featherstone, William	Meredith, John Robert	Taber, Floyd
Fleming, Thomas Robert	Morgan, Jenkin	Waldeyer, Charles
Gale, John	Mould, William	White, Richard
Glass, Louis	Parker, Ralzemond	Wickman, George Didrich
Goodday, Louis	Pence, Watt Manoah	Williams, Jacob
Grace, Robert Patrick	Perkins, David King	Willoughby, Nicholas
Gridley, Charles Edward	Plum, Nathaniel Dunbar	Woodworth, Homer Allen
Grubbs, Richard Champion	Powell, David	—76.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....69	Now borne upon the roll.....76.
Exalted..... 7—76.	

SIERRA CHAPTER, No. 21.

Downieville, Sierra County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Eliphalet Lewis Case, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Adolph Joseph Meroux, <i>Pr. Sojourner</i> ,
Stanley Andrew Smith, <i>King</i> ,	Benjamin Pauly, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Frank Rumrill Wehe, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Henry Haddon Purdy, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Henry Spaulding, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Aden Denmire, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
William Ryan, <i>Secretary</i> ,	August Christopher Busch, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Samuel Curtis Stewart, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	Valentine Harding, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

William Thompson Luther, <i>P. G. H. P.</i> ,	Benjamin Pauly.
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ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Aird, Alexander Fisher	Foss, Lemuel	Roussan, Charles Adrian
Akers, Charles Duval	Goodwin, James Willis	St. Pierre, John
Berry, James Edwin	Hanley, William Franz	Thomas, Benjamin
Blohm, John August	Martin, George O	Thompson, David Edward
Bradbury, John T	McGregor, James	Wayland, William Allen
Clute, John Howard	McNaughton, Donald	West, John Thorrenses
Crooks, James Brown	McQuestion, Charles Oliver	Whitney, David Livingstone
Edmonds, Thomas	Pilond, Edouard	Williams, Thomas—38.
Ford, Tiley Lafayette		

RESTORED:

McQuarrie, William Charles—1.

WITHDRAWN:

McQuarrie, William Charles—1.

DIED:

Mowry, Lewis—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	33	Withdrawn.....	1
Exalted.....	5	Died.....	1
Affiliated.....	1	Now borne upon the roll.....	38—40.
Restored.....	1—40.		

PETALUMA CHAPTER, No. 22

Petaluma, Sonoma County.

Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Frank Arlington Cromwell, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Herman Albert Heineken, <i>P. Sojourner</i> ,
Robert Henry Brown, <i>King</i> ,	James Lockridge Dinwiddie, <i>R. A. Capt.</i> ,
William Barnabas Haskell, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Lyman C Byce, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Ezekiel Denman, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Achille Kahn, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Platt Benedict Gilbert, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Wilder, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Clarence Edward Reed, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	James Singley, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

James Singley,	William Barnabas Haskell,	Isaac Samuel Crawford,
Benjamin Franklin Tuttle,	John Cavanagh,	Lyman C Byce,
Marcus Dyatheka Goshen,	Levi Hartzell Patty,	George Perkins Barter.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Baur, John	Fairbanks, Joseph Frank	Poehlman, Conrad
Berri, Vittorio	Falkner, Miles Henry	Roseburgh, Allen
Bihler, William	Grandi, Salvatore	Sartori, Ignazio
Bonetti, Lucca	Hasbrouck, Hiram Brown	Schroyer, Aaron
Bowles, Joseph Martin	Hanbrich, Leonard	Taft, Hiram Lafayette
Brainerd, Henry Paine	Hill, William	Temple, Conrad
Burdell, James Blask	Jacobs, Thomas Robert	Tomasini, Deodato Giacinto
Button, Isaac Valle	Kuhnle, Fred	Tomasini, Louis
Chopard, Louis	Lauck, Joseph Benjamin	Tomasini, Mateo
Codoni, Giuseppe Abbondio	Lewis, John Bacon	Van Doren, John Suydam
Collins, Franklin Miller	Lippitt, Edward Spalding	Veale, William Roe
Darden, William Henry	McDonald, Gilbert	Wallace, Robert G
Denman, Frank Hardenb'gh	McGrew, Samuel	Weyhe, Paul Charles
Dixheimer, John	Merritt, John	White, Josiah Howe
Dreyfuss, Edward	Mitchener, Jonathan	Zartman, William
Fairbanks, Dolph Brice	Ormsby, John Harper	Zook, Francis Kurtz—68.
Fairbanks, Hiram Tolbert	Pedrazzini, Louis	

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	66	Now borne upon the roll.....	68.
Exalted.....	2—68.		

LA FAYETTE CHAPTER, No. 24.**Camptonville, Yuba County.***Stated Meetings, first Saturday after Full Moon in each month.***OFFICERS:**

William Bull Meek, <i>High Priest,</i>	Charles O'Hara, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
William Alexander Meek, <i>King,</i>	Richard Baker, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Eugene Beauharnais Covey, <i>Scribe,</i>	John Rufus Kennedy, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
James Arnott, <i>Treasurer,</i>	James Nelson, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
———, <i>Secretary,</i>	Charles McLellan, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
———, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Peter Bussell, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priest:

William Bull Meek.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Farley, George Sidney	Phillips, Thomas	Spencer, Stephen—15.
McPhee, Douglas Alex.	Smith, Henry	

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....15. Now borne upon the roll.....15.

GEORGETOWN CHAPTER, No. 25.**Georgetown, El Dorado County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday next succeeding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Ellison Lassell Crawford, <i>High Priest,</i>	William Simpson Hickman, <i>P. Sojourner,</i>
George Beattie, <i>King,</i>	James Francis Walk, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Charles Hilton Langley, <i>Scribe,</i>	Benjamin Johnson Dains, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Harvey Elias Warren, <i>Treasurer,</i>	William George Beattie, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
De Witt Clinton Benjamin, <i>Secretary,</i>	Benj. Franklin Shepherd, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
James Moon, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Tinsley Burton Epps, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

William Roush,	James Moon,	Ellison Lassell Crawford.
John Dodd Skinner,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Armstrong, Thomas Z	Dunahoo, Wm. Washington	Pedrini, Oipriano
Bayley, Alexander Alonzo	Fleishman, Jacob	Pedrini, Massimino
Bussel, Giosni	Fillipini, Rinaldo	Bobson, Benjamin Franklin
Corrigall, John William	Lagerson, Frederick	Simpers, George Washington

—26.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....21	Now borne upon the roll.....26.
Exalted. 3	
Affiliated 2—26.	

DELTA CHAPTER, No. 27.

Auburn, Placer County.

Stated Meetings, first Monday succeeding Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS:

John Gould Bisbee, <i>High Priest</i> ,	George Wallace Applegate, <i>Pr. Sojourner</i> ,
William Bransen Lardner, <i>King</i> ,	Robert William Roberts, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
Gera Bretton Predmore, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Benjamin Dulaney Dunnam, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Charles John Hellwig, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Frederick Peter Grohs, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
David Wlademer Lubeck, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Thomas Stevenson, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Robert Fleming Rooney, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	Christoph Henry Hoppert, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Charles John Hellwig,	John Gould Bisbee,	John Mathias Fulweiler.
John Thompson Kinkade,	Robert Fleming Rooney,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Barter, William	Gladding, Albert James	Mullen, William Henry
Baughman, John Elias Wm.	Haenny, John	Phillips, James Penrarya M.
Birdall, Fred Wheeler	Hollenbeck Orrin Whitcomb	Rusing, Edward S
Borland, James	Hughes, David Griffith	Taylor, Hosea
Connor, John Michael	Martin, Charles	Todd, Thomas Milton
Curtis, Henry Chittendon	Mears, Josiah	Whittemore, Adrian Story
Delano, Ira Lemuel	Miner, John Macklin	—34.

DIED:

Bardwell, John Milton—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....34	Died..... 1
Affiliated 1—35.	Now borne upon the roll..... 34—36.

STOCKTON CHAPTER, No. 28.

Stockton, San Joaquin County.

Stated Meetings, fourth Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Eugene Lehe, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Orrin Staples Henderson, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
William Henry Stoue, <i>King</i> ,	Durrell Oliver Castle, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Columbus Hurd, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Joseph Henry Swain, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Edward Richards Hedges, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	George Ditz, Jr., <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
John Milton LaRue, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Benjamin Eadie Kerr, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Henry Ephraim Robbins, <i>Capt. of Host</i> ,	Charles Edward Howe, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Gilbert Barnett Claiborne,	George Alex. McKenzie,	Henry Ephraim Robbins,
Edward Richards Hedges,	Isaac Lothrop,	Arthur Morgan Noble,
Alexander Ohalmers,	Doran Lucius Campbell,	Eugene Lehe.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Ashley, George Henry	Freidberger, Arnold	Perkins, Charles Edward
Bachmann, Carl August	Frost, Haller Coventry	Peters, Joseph D
Baggs, Harry Nichols	Fyfe, Joseph	Phelps, Joseph Larose
Barber, Joseph Martin	Garwood, John	Prugh, Winfield Webster
Beckman, Henry	Gersbacher, Joshua Barre	Rhodes, Charles Wise
Beede, Wm. Morris Stewart	Graham, William	Rhodes, Wm. H. Harrison
Bennett, Paul Weatherby	Harrison, Norval	Robertson, Peter Sterling
Bergman, Francis Gus. A. H.	Harrison, William Bruce	Rogers, William Dice
Bonney, Charles Sumner	Harrold, Nathaniel Siggons	Roland, John Morgan
Briggs, Sebra	Henderson, Milton Pierce	Rolerson, Benjamin Franklin
Brown, Philip Thomas	Henery, Samuel	Russell, Richard William
Buell, Park Abbingdon	Hickox, Flavil Gaylord	Sanguinetta, Domenico
Bulson, Herman Rice	Jockers, David	Shaw, Henry Coffin
Cain, John	Jory, John	Shurtleff, George Augustus
Castle, Christ'r Champlin	Keyes, Henry Calcutt	Smith, James Webb
Cavin, James	Keyes, William Henry	Smith, Wellington Treat
Cavis, Joseph William	Lane, Frank Ellis	Snow, William
Confer, Solomon Lytle	Langford, Benj. Franklin	Sperry, George Barker
Oorson, Charles Hartwell	Langridge, George Wash'n	Stewart, John Daniels
Craig, Howard Mills	Leitch, Archibald	Swain, Cornelius
Cross, Samuel Nelson	Little, William Jackson	Taylor, Charles Edwin
Cobb, Frank Dyckman	Mays, William Henry	Thompson, John William
Cotterell, William	McGuffick, William	Tindall, Pleasant Hay
Culver, Gilbert Caleb	McKinnon, Angus	Todd, Francis Walton
Cunningham, Thomas	McPherson, Joseph Kennon	Waterman, Solomon
Earle, Richard Thomas	Milco, Nicola	Woods, John Newton
Eldridge, Edward Duane	Misener, Norman Sumner	Woods, Samuel Mosely
Fanning, Howard Malcombe	Morris, Ozias Manly	West, Frederick Macondray
Folsom, Gilman N	O'Brien, John Henry	Yardley, John—107.
Fraser, Philip Barry	Orr, Nelson Mills	

RESTORED:

Misener, Norman Sumner—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Payne, Alfred George—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Casey, William James—1.

DIED:

Bagley, Benjamin Franklin—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....102	Withdrawn..... 1
Exalted..... 6	Susp. for non-payment of dues... 1
Affiliated..... 1	Died..... 1
Restored..... 1-110.	Now borne upon the roll.....107-110.

MANZANITA CHAPTER, No. 29.

North San Juan, Nevada County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday after Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS:

John Storer McBride, <i>High Priest</i> ,	William Dunning, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
Frederick William Bank, <i>King</i> ,	John Quick, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Albert James Wood, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Ashley Smith Bigelow, <i>Master 3d Val</i> ,
John German, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Richard Thomas, <i>Master 2d Val</i> ,
Patrick Henry Butler, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Charles Scheuerman, <i>Master 1st Val</i> ,
John Trood, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Joseph Gordon Dickson, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

John Ambrose Seely,

John Storer McBride.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Allison, Peter	Harris, Thomas	McMurray, Robert
Atwater, Henry	Harris, Thomas Voel	Osborn, Thomas Israel
Bell, Francis Hiram	Helwig, John Henry	Quick, Paul
Billing, John	Henderson, Duncan	Redington, James
Bristow, William	Huff, William	Rogers, Joseph D
Buhring, Harry Herman	James, William David	Rogers, William James
Clymo, Francis	Jepsen, Christian Otto	Rosson, Rasmus Peterson
Cull, Henry	Jones, John Richard	Stone, John
Cunard, James Henry	Lancaster, Charles Edward	Trood, William
Fuller, Henry Bailey	Llewellyn, Daniel	Wood, Frank Merton
Gilbert, Josiah Stevens	McIntire, James Lambertson	Westerfield, William Jackson

—46.

EXCLUDED:

Hiscox, Irving Menner

Morris, Frank Napoleon—2.

DIED:

Freeman, Thomas—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....49	Excluded.....2
	Died.....1
	Now borne upon the roll.....46—49.

NAPA CHAPTER, No. 30.

Napa, Napa County.

*Stated Meetings, second and fourth Mondays in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Albert Moore Knapp, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Charles Ray Gritman, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
Frederick N Giles, <i>King</i> ,	George Edmund Goodman, Jr., <i>R.A. Capt.</i> ,
Nelson Marble, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Daniel Sterling Kyser, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Robert Crouch, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Henry Louis Amstutz, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
James Baunty Stevens, <i>Secretary</i> ,	George Washington Strohl, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
James Mason, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Amos Smith Knapp, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:Henry Hay Knapp, *P. G. H. P.*,
Robert Crouch,William Bradford,
Charles Ray Gritman,

Albert Moore Knapp.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Bustelli, Gottardo	Hawks, John	Morford, Nathan Albert
Crow, Max J	Hoadley, Horace James	Newcomb, Bethel Merritt
Davis, Morrow Henry	Holden, Samuel Emory	Robinson, Joseph Lilburn
Elles, Theodore	Horstmeyer, Henry Conrad	Shurtleff, Benjamin
Epley, Thomas Henry	Hottel, Eli Washington	Starkweather, Charles Henry
Fisher, William Frederick	Johnston, Finis Ewing	Sterling, Robert Henry
Gardner, Alden Monroe	Manasse, Emanuel	Swift, John Jackson
Gardner, James Buchanan	McCollum, William John	Wilkins, Benjamin Sydney
Grossman, Adolphus Her'n	Mecklenberg, Joseph	Zollner, John Ferdinand—43.
Haas, David Leopold	Miller, Francis Ashbury	

MARK MASTER:

Gwynn, William, Jr.—1.

RESTORED:

Morford, Nathan Albert—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Walker, Calvin Bowers—1.

EXCLUDED:

Davis, James Lincoln—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....40	Withdrawn..... 1
Exalted..... 3	Excluded 1
Affiliated..... 1	Now borne upon the roll... 43—45.
Restored..... 1—45.	

MARTINEZ CHAPTER, No. 31.**Martinez, Contra Costa County.***Stated Meetings, Monday of or preceding Full Moon in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Lewis Cass Wittenmyer, <i>High Priest</i> ,	William Sewell Wells, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
William John Douglas, <i>King</i> ,	William Henry Buckley, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
Simon Blum, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Albert Edmund Blum, <i>Master 3d Val</i> ,
Isidor Weiss, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Max Blum, <i>Master 2d Val</i> ,
George Atwood Sherman, <i>Secretary</i> ,	George Swihart, <i>Master 1st Val</i> ,
Chas. Samuel Cousins, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	Theodore Scott Catlett, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Lewis Cass Wittenmyer,	William John Douglas.
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ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Alexander, Geo. Edmund	Fernandez, Bernardo	Rankin, James
Aitken, James	Gamble, James	Rhoads, John Charles
Baldwin, Barry	Gray, James	Ridgway, Frazier
Blum, Gabriel	Griffin, Thomas	Sanford, Farmer
Borach, Bernard	Guy, John W	Taggart, Harry Wallace
Boyd, John Wheaton	Hinman, Justus Michael	Turner, Benjamin Coffin
Brown, Samuel	Jones, Joseph Philip	Turrell, George William
Burpee, Winfield Scott	Lucas, John Goncaloes	Wagner, Theodore Fred O
Bush, George T	McCarger, Philander	Wagy, Einer B
Chase, Eli Robbins	Menefee, Orville Irwin	Walker, James Tormay
Duffee, William Joseph	Pollock, Alexander Fletcher	Wiley, George Adrian
Edwards, Hugh Fugh	Parkinson, Manuel Casada	Williams, Isaac—49.
Evans, Hugh		

WITHDRAWN:

Black, Joseph—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....46	Withdrawn..... 1
Exalted..... 3	Now borne upon the roll. ....49—50.
Affiliated..... 1—50.	

LOS ANGELES CHAPTER, No. 33.

Los Angeles, Los Angeles County.

Stated Meetings, second Monday in each month.

OFFICERS:

John Goldsworthy, <i>High Priest</i> ,	John Malcolm Glass, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
Edward Anthony Preuss, <i>King</i> ,	Moritz Morris, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
William Henry Riggs, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Cyrus Willard, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Carl Frederick August Last, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Simon Cohen, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
William Francis Griggs, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Thomas Jeffries, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Max Wassman, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Peter Leon Ducasse, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Abraham Wolf Edelman,	George Frederick McLellan,	John Goldsworthy,
Samuel Prager,	Ansel Melen Bragg,	Carl Frederick August Last.
James Seth Crawford,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Adams, Joseph Franklin	Hammel, William Augustus	Neitzke, Earnest
Ballade, Pascual	Hewett, Eldridge Edward	Philbin, John Andrew
Baruch, Berthold	Hinds, George	Platt, Charles Decatur
Baruch, Jacob	Illich, Jerry	Purvis, John Robert
Brown, Thomas Bruen	Lawrence, John	Rowan, Thomas Edwin
Buffum, William Mansfield	Loew, Jacob	Ryan, William Andrew
Burns, James Frank	Levy, Michael	Scheerer, Conrad
Chandler, Burdett	Levy, Eli Julius	Shaw, Thomas William
Cohn, Benjamin	Loug, Jeremiah	Smith, Charles Edgar
Cuddy, Thomas James	Marsh, Frank	Solomon, Heyman
Ducommon, Charles Louis	Mahoney, John James	Strassburger, Nathan
Eckert, Robert	McFarland, Walter	Teel, Charles Adelbert
Enz, Charles Augustus	McGregor, Robert Evan	Weldon, Arthur
Eyraud, Emanuel	Meyburg, Moritz	Wellman, Fallis Kenton
George, Ambrose Franklin	Meyer, Samuel	Weston, Benjamin S
Gross, Frederick	Morris, John Wood	Wickersham, Isaac—66.
Grymes, George Anderson		

MOST EXCELLENT MASTER:

Jackson, John Eugene—1.

RESTORED:

Lambie, William Thomas—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Lambie, William Thomas

Waite, Earl Sherman—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Barnett, Eli Elias

Jacoby, Herman

Moore, Walter Scott—4.

Barnett, John Zachariah

DIED:

Denker, Andrew Henry

Skinner, John Maxwell

Spence, Edward Fallis—4.

Isger, Louis John Frederick

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	71	Withdrawn	2
Exalted	3	Susp. for non-payment of dues....	4
Affiliated	1	Died	4
Restored.....	1—76.	Now borne upon the roll.....	66—76.

ALTURAS CHAPTER, No. 34.**Quincy, Plumas County.***Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

_____, <i>High Priest,</i>	Arthur Walter Keddie, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
James Henry Whitlock, <i>King,</i>	_____, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
_____, <i>Scribe,</i>	Asher Cohn, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
William Thomas Byers, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Thomas Corydon Lee, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Joshua Hutchins Variel, <i>Secretary,</i>	_____, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
_____, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Samuel Taylor, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Benjamin Wilcox Barnes,	Joshua Hutchins Variel,	John Daniel Goodwin.
Thomas Alonzo McFarland,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Dwinelle, Aaron Alonzo	Mitchell, John Ephraim	Parsons, Edward Ira
Hendel, Charles William	Meylert, Gordon W.	Thomas, John Hiram
Meikle, William	Nevil, John	Thorp, Joseph Henry—19.

EXCLUDED:

Smith, Daniel Robertson—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....20.	Excluded..... 1
	Now borne upon the roll.....19—20.

NAVAL CHAPTER, No. 35.**Vallejo, Solano County.***Stated Meetings, second Wednesday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

John Wilton Winton, <i>High Priest,</i>	Patrick Haley, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
Sylvester Warford, <i>King,</i>	William Henry Clark, <i>Royal Arch Capt.,</i>
Roland Jackson McDaniel, <i>Scribe,</i>	David Forney Beveridge, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
John Brownlie, <i>Treasurer,</i>	John Henry Sailor, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Charles Daly, <i>Secretary,</i>	George Wilkins Wilson, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
George Rounds, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Henry Bruce, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Jno. Mills Browne, <i>P.G.H.P.,</i>	Roland Jackson McDaniel,	Walter Duncan Anderson,
Mattison Myers,	Christian Theo. B. Hallin,	Henry Daniel Lazelle,
Osgood Hilton,	George Rounds,	David Forney Beveridge,
Charles Daly,	Joseph Bullock Coghlan,	Patrick Haley.
James Roney,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Aden, Melchert Remmers	Gendreau, Charles Anthony	Perkins, Con Marrast
Aden, Remmer Joh'n Rem's	Good, Harry Carlton	Plaisted, George Pomroy
Andrews, William	Hall, George Henry	Powell, Abraham
Ashwell, Charles	Harrier, Daniel Webster	Rae, James
Basford, Fordham Clay	Harrier, Louis Garibaldi	Robinson, Jno. Buckingham
Bergwall, Gustaf Adolph	Hawthorne, Charles Ralph	Russell, William Abbott
Bertoscky, Alex. Bertsch	Henderson, Orrington Lunt	Rutherford, David
Bond, Jonathan	Hilborn, Samuel Greeley	Savage, Thomas
Butler, Ira Mortimer	Johnson, Otto	Sides, George Elvin
Butler, Orrin Hartwell	Kemper, Melchior	Shillingsburg, William
Drake, Frank	Lister, Benjamin	Small, Frederick Augustus
Duncan, John Kennedy	McLees, Edmond	Thompson, John
Farley, Dallas Jones	McPike, Andrew Jackson	Titcomb, John Locke
Farnham, John	Moore, Andrew Moses	Topley, James
Fassett, Thomas Odeon	Much, George Washington	Voorhies, Albert Parsons
Faust, John	Mugridge, Charles Franklin	Wall, Charles John
Ferrier, Francis	Nagle, Richard Wellington	Webster, Henry John
Ford, John Harris	O'Hara, John Henry	Williamson, John Marshall
Ford, Harry Clay	Passallaqua, Bennaditto	Wright, Martin Jeremiah
Frey, John	Peck, George	—79.

WITHDRAWN:

Evans, John

Itrich, Franz Antone—3.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Perryman, John Thomas

Smith, John Daniel—2.

DIED:

Aden, John Remmers	Chandler, Robert	Rothenbush, Peter
Benas, Benjamin	Clausen, August Ernst	Toothaker, Harvey Purlington—6.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....87	Withdrawn..... 2
Affiliated..... 2—89.	Suspended for non-payment of dues 2
	Died..... 6
	Now borne upon the roll.....79—89.

OAKLAND CHAPTER, No. 36.

Oakland, Alameda County.

Stated Meetings, first and third Wednesdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

Joseph Fountain Chandler, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Frank Bequette Rodolph, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
James Brainard Henley, <i>King</i> ,	George Henry Smith, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Henry Philip Dalton, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Francis Henry E. O'Donnell, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Frank Howard Brooks, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thomas Irving Miller, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
John William McClymonds, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Francis Marion Norris, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Robert Edgar, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Charles Edwin Gillett, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Benjamin Akerly,	Frank Howard Brooks, Charles Nelson Fox,
Nathan W. Spaulding, <i>P. G. H. P.</i> ,	Charles Edwin Gillett, Webb Nicholson Pearce,
Walter Laidlaw,	Samuel Thorburn Black, Edw'd Harrison Morgan,
Frank Worthly Cushing,	Amasa Wright Bishop, Alvah Kittridge Clark,
James Todd Gardiner,	John Wm. McClymonds, Joseph Fountain Chandler,
George Edwin Whitney,	William Frank Pierce, Frederick Low Krause.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Allardt, George Frederick	Crowley, Dennis David	Herbert, Henry Vandever
Ames, Joseph Parker	Cumming, William George	Heron, Ernst Alvah
Antisell, Thomas Murphy	Cunningham, Parlan R	Hersey, Edgar Amos
Archibald, Francis Albert	Cushing, John	Hewes, Charles Leslie
Austin, James Davis	Davis, Dwight Lucian	Hewes, Charles Wesley
Ayers, William Harrison	Davis, William Rude	Hill, William Henry
Baker, Alfred Septimus	Deaner, Hiram Franklin	Horton, George Wallace
Ball, Ambrose Everett	Degan, Ludolph Philip	Hume, Joseph
Banks, Charles Wells	De Golia, George Ellis	Hyde, Marcus Darius
Bartlett, Pliny	Delger, Edward Frederick	Ingersoll, William Bowker
Beeby, Robert John	Delger, Frederick	Johnson, Ellis Crowell
Belden, Henry Keney	Dingee, William Jackson	Jones, Herbert Ellis
Bette, William Michael	Dobbins, Hugh Hollis	Kendall, Alpheus
Bice, John	Dodge, Ezekiel Goddard	Kerr, Archie Fullerton
Blethen, Albion Keith Paris	Du Bois, Sumner Victor	Kerr, Louis Carmick
Blood, William Frank	Dunbar, Sylvanus Gilman S.	Kercheval, John Hereford
Bones, Samuel West	Dynes, William Henry	Knight, Frederick Wales
Brabban, Dixon	Eadon, Moses	Koser, Newton Alexander
Bradley, John Tilford	Edgar, William James	Krytser, Charles John
Bragdon, Edmund, Jr.	Ellis, William	Kutz, George Fitzgerald
Breed, Arthur Hastings	Elliot, Washington	Lamoureaux, Philias Henry
Brooke, Charles, Sr.	Ely, Ralph Asahel	Lancaster, Joseph
Brown, Lewis Henry	Emery, Joseph Stickney	Leckie, Robert Stevenson
Burnham, Charles Franklin	Evers, John Henry	Lee, John
Burrell, Alfred William	Everson, Wallace	Lentell, James
Campbell, Alexander	Ferguson, Henry James	Lightner, Henry P
Campbell, Fred'k McLean	French, Robert Elsworth	Littler, Oliver Wilson
Camron, William Walker	Frick, George William	Logan, Oliver Cunningham
Chamberlain, O Sylvester	Gifford, William M	Long, Charles Stewart
Chappellet, Felix	Gilpin, Zachery Taylor	Lord, Charles Reuben
Chittenden, Henry Hatfield	Glasscock, John Raglin	Loring, George York
Olft, Frederick Charles	Glines, Herbert Atherton	Magill, Arthur Edward
Collier, John Henry	Goodman, George	Marsellus, Edwin P
Collins, David Edward	Gotshall, Louis	Marr, Archibald Campbell
Concanon, William Norton	Greenhood, Jacob	Mau, Charles Frederick
Cordes, Paul Henry	Gray, Roscoe Spaulding	Mauzy, Byron
Cormeny, Eugene	Gunn, Adam Francis	McClain, Joseph
Cox, George Washington	Hale, William Elmer	McComb, Edmund
Craft, Richard Carson	Hamilton, William Thomas	McGuire, Jesse Milton
Craib, William	Handy, Brayton Everington	Meade, Calvert
Craig, Homer Alexander	Handy, Lucian Harvey	Merritt, Albert Humphrey
Craig, William Henry	Haven, Charles Dwight	Merritt, James Bestor
Cramer, Adolph Ed. Henry	Hayes, Daniel Edward	Metcalf, George Dickson
Crellin, John	Henninger, Frederick	Miller, James

Miller, Robert Willis	Price, William Clay	Stewart, Robert
Miller, William Henry	Prouse, Charles	Stephenson, John Calvin
Momyer, Henry E	Randall, Charles Welis	Stone, Franklin Byron
Monnet, Louis	Rasmussen, Hans	Taft, Henry Clay
Moore, Albert Alphonzo	Raymond, Charles Seward	Taggard, Grantham Israel
Mould, Richard Inkerman	Redding, Albert Putnam	Taylor, Albert Miles
Morris, Moses	Reckard, Chas. Lockwood	Templeton, James
Mueller, Herman Emanuel	Redington, Charles Henry	Thomson, Arthur Dalliba
Munson, Arthur King	Reichling, Francis	Todd, James Hamilton
Newsom, John	Reichling, Lewis Frank	Tubbs, Hiram
Nichols, Ralph Kenniston	Reinstadler, François	Twombly, Charles Henry
Nordhausen, Ernest Albert	Roach, James Vincent	Upham, Isaac
Osgood, Ernest J	Robinson, Edward Constant	Veitch, William Thomas
Ott, August Lewis	Russell, Thomas Bartlett	Von Hirsch, Sementi Julius
Owen, Wm. Henry Searls	Rutherford, Charles Board'n	Wadsworth, Henry
Palmer, Chas. Theo. Hart	Samson, Martin Meyer	Walsh, Edward Marion
Palmer, Henry Austin	Schuller, Antonius	Walton, Jesse
Pardee, Enoch Homer	Shaffer, Louis	Watson, William Callaghan
Parish, William Henry	Shattuck, Francis Kittredge	Weilbye, Julius Lars
Patterson, A. L. Crandall	Sherman, Edwin Allen	Weilbye, William Hansen
Patterson, George	Shorey, Albert	Westover, Clinton
Payne, Frank Howard	Slegfried, John Christian	Williams, John
Perkins, George Clement	Skinner, Isaac Ash	Wilson, James B
Phillips, John Waterman	Slaven, John Thompson	Wilson, John Charles
Pierce, Charles Dexter	Smilie, Robert	Wilson, William
Pinkerton, Thomas Hamil	Smith, Henry Sydney	Wines, Charles Latham
Plunkett, James California	Smith, William Clay	Winchester, Ebenezer—241.
Powell, Howell Aubrey	Southard, William Freeman	

MARK MASTER:

Damien, E Fortin—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Lees, David Todd, Jr.—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Fox, George W

Noy, William H

Patterson, Edw'd Mortimer—3.

DIED:

Walter, William Addison—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	233	Withdrawn	1
Exalted.....	10	Susp. for non-payment of dues...	3
Affiliated.....	3—246.	Died.....	1
		Now borne upon the roll.....	241—246.

SILOAM CHAPTER, No. 37.

Colfax, Placer County.

Stated Meetings, second and fourth Tuesdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

John Butler, <i>High Priest,</i>	William Barrows Hayford, <i>Pr. Sojourner,</i>
James Barrows Hayford, <i>King,</i>	Seland Cadjew, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
James Beede Knapp, <i>Scribe,</i>	Albert Halliday Smith, <i>Master 3d Val,</i>
Henry Disque, <i>Treasurer,</i>	William Mandeville Baker, <i>Master 2d Val,</i>
Morris Lobner, <i>Secretary,</i>	William Swift Makins, <i>Master 1st Val,</i>
Octavius King Cloudman, <i>O. of the Host,</i>	Thornton King, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Jacob Hart Neff, *P. G. H. P.*, Joseph Spencer Quire, Morris Lobner.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Oahill, Thomas	Johnson, Gustavus Adolphus	Robie, Ira Allen
Coffin, Isaac Tibbits	Lakamp, John Henry	Rogers, Joseph
Davis, Abraham	Lohman, Peter	Schmidt, Georg Wilhelm
Dysart, John	Maginn, Patrick Henry	Swenson, Samuel Edward
Ells, Henry	Nichols, Thomas Jefferson	Tolman, Rufus Jenkins
Heuser, George Henry	Perkins, William Stickney	Voss, Louis—34.
Ingersoll, Darius	Rabe, August Louis	

MARK MASTERS:

Erskine, Alexander Edwin Martin, Henry Vassal McKenzie, Brigham Bliss—3.

DIED:

Lobner, Leopold—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....33 Died.....1
Exalted.....2—35. Now borne upon the roll.....34—35.

SANTA CRUZ CHAPTER, No. 38.

Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz County.

Stated Meetings, second and fourth Wednesdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

Thompson Wilson Drullard, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Peter Richmond Hinds, <i>Prin. Sefourner</i> ,
Benjamin Anthony Plant, <i>King</i> ,	Cathers Drummond Folsom, <i>R. A. Capt.</i> ,
George Staffier, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Robert James Baxter, <i>Master 3d Val</i> ,
Samuel Arnold Bartlett, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Arthur Still, <i>Master 2d Val</i> ,
William Henry Bias, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Clinton Basey, <i>Master 1st Val</i> ,
Bernard Wise, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Antone Cristofanini, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Peter Richmond Hinds, William W Gamble, Thompson Wilson Drullard.
Louis Schwartz,

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Adams, Edward Francis	Ely, Frank William	Mathews, Theodore Vinton
Billicke, Albert Clay	Ely, William	Menefee, Frank George
Chase, John Rufus	Fagan, Pierce Bye	Porter, William Ray
Chamberlain, Philander	Fitch, Edwin	Rueff, Gust's Adol Karl The.
Cohn, Aron	Fast, John Henry Adolph	Russell, William
Coope, John Frederick	Gilchrist, Adam	Sullivan, John Thomas
Coult, John Howard	Haslam, William Douglass	Thompson, Richard
Daubenbiss, John	Kron, Henry Frederick	West, Edward Swift
Dutton, James Marshall	Lincoln, Charles Henry	Willey, Henry
Dutton, James Lewis	Lorenzen, Lawrence	Williams, Edward Lawrence
Effey, Robert		—45.

WITHDRAWN:

Shippey, Minot

Wilkinson, Robert Middlemare—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....41 Withdrawn.....2
Exalted.....6—47. Now borne upon the roll.....45—47.

DONNER CHAPTER, No. 39.**Truckee, Nevada County.***Stated Meetings, first and third Mondays in each month.***OFFICERS:**

William Ferdinand Wilkie, <i>High Priest</i> ,	William Harrison Prouty, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
William Rufus Spalding, <i>King</i> ,	George Angus, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Henry Sherriff, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Thomas Byron Whitney, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
George Schaffer, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	George Washington Giffen, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Andrew Jackson Graham, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William George Crawford, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Samuel Parker, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	William Henry Hill, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Charles Fayette McGlashan,	Joseph Marzen, Jr.,	William Harrison Prouty.
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ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Adolph, Julius	Hutchinson, John T	Ohland, Fredrich
Bachelder, Jesse Howard	Joesink, Bernardus Hendr's	Pendleton, John William
Bernardi, Julius De	Lewison, Jacob Lewis	Peters, Medcalf Lorenzo
Barckhalter, Walter Marion	Luxenburger, Michael	Richardson, Geo. Washington
Carlson, John August	Mayer, Pius	Richardson, Warren
Champion, Francis	McDonald, John Joseph	Silva, Manuel
Dunn, Henry George	McPhetres, Daniel	Steen, Nathaniel
Dunster, George William	McLoche, Frank Tancred	Trewick, Archibald
Growling, Joseph	Micander, John	Wood, George
Harvey, Irving Ferdinand	Millberg, George Skiffenton	Young, Lamertine Wilson
Hilton, George William	Moody, John Fairfield	Young, Samuel Alexander
Hilton, Joseph Dearborn		—48.

DIED:

Johnson, Hogan—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	40	Died.....	1
Exalted.....	8	Now borne upon the roll	48—49
Affiliated.....	1—49.		

RED BLUFF CHAPTER, No. 40.**Red Bluff, Tohama County.***Stated meetings, first and third Saturdays in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Elias Delevan Gardner, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Robert Hurd Blossom, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
John F Ellison, <i>King</i> ,	Henry Charles Richart, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i>
Sidney Allen Griggs, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Sylvanus Everett Murphy, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
William Brewer Cahoon, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Henry Erasmus Bidwell, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Pelham Howard Coffman, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Anoil Brown, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
—————, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Samuel Lewis, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

John Clements,

Nathaniel Merrill.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Alexander, Charles Graham	Fowle, Cyrus Daniel	Puls, George
Ballard, Curtis Durkee	Gedney, David Wetmore	Radcliff, Osmond
Barham, James Lewis	Healey, Lucien Bonaparte	Rawson, Hiram Allen
Bierce, Roderick Henry	Houghton, Francis	Ryan, Pierce
Boole, Frank Arthur	Houseman, Robert Porter's d	Ryan, Thomas R
Brattan, John Michael	Howell, Thomas Newton	Schroeder, Aug. G. Barnhart
Brown, Augustus Frank	Jelly, Frank Lee	Schoenfeld, Jeremiah
Cameron, James Strong	Johnson, John Meyer	Schoenfeld, Solomon David
Campbell, Charles Abijah	Kimball, Gorham Gates	Schubert, Eugene Washing'n
Campbell, Remembrance H.	Matthews, Francis Thomas	Skedd, William Richard
Champlin, George	Mayhew, Horace Allen	Stout, George Homer
Champlin, Lester	McCoy, Leo Lewis	Swain, Theodore Slevin
Culverwell, Richard Steven	McKeller, Archibald D	Thompson, Joseph Moore
DeHaven, Jos. Lapaley G'd	Montgomery, Will Thomas	Vestal, George Wema
Duhig, Louis James	Morgan, George Edwin	Ward, Ephraim Harlow
Eddy, William	Nethercott, Robert	West, John M
Elmore, Robert Hoyle	Olmstead, Myron	Wiendieck, Herman Henry
Epperson, Jacob Haney	Parent, Charles Edwin	Willard, George Kettridge
Finnell, Simpson	Peden, Albert Oliver	Winzel, Eli Achum—72.
Fish, Charles Erskine	Poulet, Eduard	

MARK MASTER:

Howell, Thomas Francis—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Crocker, Nathan

Wilson, Henry Clay—2.

EXCLUDED:

Alvord, Charles Theodore Foster, Charles Frederick Tyler, Jonathan Cooper—4.
Chase, Guy Horatio

DIED:

Wilson, Harry Freeborn—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....76	Withdrawn.....2
Exalted.....3—79.	Excluded.....4
	Died.....1
	Now borne upon the roll.....72—79.

TEMPLE CHAPTER, No. 41.

Watsonville, Santa Cruz County.

Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

James Waters, <i>High Priest</i> ,	James Martin Rodgers, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
James Ingham, <i>King</i> ,	Frederick Austin, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Hans Peter Brassel, <i>Scribe</i> ,	William Arthur Trafton, <i>Master 8th Vail</i> ,
Alexander Lewis, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	George Arthur Trafton, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
John Herbert McEwen, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Michael Gagnon, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Bela Sargent Andrews, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	Henry Edgar West, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:James Martin Rodgers,
James Waters,

William George Hudson,

John Nelson Besse.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Aldrich, David Metcalf	Kilburn, Frederick Augustus	Rodgers, William Donelson
Bixby, Aaron William	Linscott, James Austin	Rodgers, William Lafayette
Brewington, Geo. Hamilton	Lubbock, Clinton Henry	Rea, James William
Chalmers, Alex. Barker	Mauk, Franklin Edwin	Rea, Samuel
Clark, Edgar Lewis	Moffat, Thomas	Seaman, George
Fowler, Charles	Morris, Moses	Shaver, Eugene O
Herold, Adam	Mynatt, Elvin Farran	Sill, George Wellington
Hursh, George Washington	Porter, John Thomas	Storm, Peter
Johnson, Lyman Beard	Porter, Warren Reynolds	Trafton, John Edmund—41.

WITHDRAWN:

Wangerin, Joseph David—1.

DIED:

McCoy, William Perry—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report. ....39	Withdrawn..... 1
Exalted..... 3	Died 1
Affiliated..... 1—43.	Now borne upon the roll.....41—43.

CHICO CHAPTER, No. 42.**Chico, Butte County.***Stated Meetings, second and fourth Mondays in each month.***OFFICERS:**

William Henry Miller, <i>High Priest,</i>	Edward Tillotson Reynolds, <i>Pr. Sojourner,</i>
William Thomas, <i>King,</i>	Gilbert Hart Taylor, <i>Royal Arch Capt.,</i>
Alexander Hill Crew, <i>Scribe,</i>	James Madison Dugger, <i>Master 3d Val,</i>
Charles Faulkner, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Geo. Fred'k Chris'n Peterson, <i>Mas. 2d Val,</i>
John Rodney Gleason, <i>Secretary,</i>	Adam Courtney Broyles, <i>Master 1st Val,</i>
Thomas Bicknell, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Samuel Hunter Montgomery, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:Charles Faulkner,
John Rose Robinson,Edward Tillotson Reynolds,
Samuel Hunter Montgomery,

Eugene Erastus Canfield.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Appelgate, William James	Clark, Oliver Lovell	Garner, John Mortimer
Barnard, Timothy Henry	Crew, Henry William	Graves, Fountain Columbus
Batchelder, Hiram Treat	Cussick, Barney	Gynn, Pleasant Marion
Bell, Hugh Thomas	Daly, John Cardiff	Hansen, Anders Matthias
Bohlender, Thomas L	Davison, James	Hansen, Lauritz
Boucher, Josiah, Jr.	Durham, Wm. Wellington	Hartford, John William
Boydston, James Knox Polk	Eliot, Wesley Stockwell	Haughton, Jos. Richardson
Bradley, William Leroy	Evans, Aaron	Hibbard, Albert A
Carney, George Washington	Evans, Sylvester Kirkwood	Hilliard, Marion
Chapman, Augustus Harley	Freeman, Frank	Holloway, James Thomas

Jones, Ralph Taylor	Montgomery, J. W. Bradford	Snowden, James William
Jones, Samuel	Montgomery, Park	Stansbury, Oscar
King, William Duncan	Morissey, Thomas Francis	Steuben, Henry William
Lausen, Henry Dattel	Papst, Albert	Stevens, Warren Charles
Linn, W Birney	Papst, Charles James	Turner, John Calvin
Lothrop, Matthew Hale	Patterson, Jacob	Warren, Cyrus Greenlief
Mack, William Edwin	Peake, William Humphrey	Wessman, John August
March, Charles Alexander	Reavis, William Andrew	Weston, Jubal
March, Jefferson Davis	Ryant, Isaac Whittemore	Wetherbee, Ira Alston
McFadyen, Archibald	Schooler, William Henry	White, Harry Darius
McIntosh, Louis Harrison	Schulze, Oscar Carl	Williams, John Harvey—79.
Mitchell, James Ewing	Shaud, George	

EXCLUDED:

Dawson, Ezra Robert—1.

DIED:

Warren, Robert Emmet—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....75	Excluded	1
Exalted.....7—82.	Died.....	2
	Now borne upon the roll.....	79—82.

SOLANO CHAPTER, No. 43.**Suisun, Solano County.***Stated Meetings, first Saturday succeeding Full Moon in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Freeman Hunnewell, <i>High Priest,</i>	Wm. Wynn Redmond Reeves, <i>P. Sojourner,</i>
Jerome Bonaparte Richardson, <i>King,</i>	Albert Alexander Dickie, <i>R. A. Captain,</i>
Jacob Henry Baumann, <i>Scribe,</i>	Edgar Ernest Long, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Eben Dorman Perkins, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Allen Charles Miller, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Abraham Farr Hitchcock, <i>Secretary,</i>	Jas. Wm. Bryson Reynolds, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
John Adam Metzler, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	William Gustavus Davisson, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Jerome Bonaparte Richardson,	Albert Alexander Dickie,	Albert Levi Reed,
Allen Charles Miller,	Freeman Hunnewell,	William Wolf.
Eben Dorman Perkins,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Blum, Jacob	Dellinger, Ambrose Craig	Hacke, Henry Frederick
Bronson, Howard Cuyler	Dinkelspiel, Morritz	Harris, Henry
Brown, William Burrell	Dobbins, Oscar P	Hatch, Anthony Timothy
Buck, William Leonard	Downing, William Green	Henderson, Frederick Lewis
Back, Ingalls Kenney	Emigh, Thomas Powell	Hoyt, Julian Buel
Capell, James Smith	Eversole, Henry	Kelly, Kirk Etna
Cerkel, Wolf	Fraser, John Robert	Leithead, James
Cohn, Jacob	Frank, Ferdinand	Losee, Charles Henry
Danielson, John	Gates, James Walker	Miller, Meredith Rains

Oberti, Joseph	Stewart, Edgar L	Stevenson, Charles Albert
Okell, Edward Joseph	Stewart, Samuel	Tomassini, Guelno
Parker, William Boyd	Stitt, James Warren	Weinberger, Marcus
Robbins, Ruel Drinkwater	Stephens, William Bell	Wilson, Thomas Stanley
Rush, Benjamin Franklin	Stevenson, Andrew Vincent	Woods, John—56.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Nurse, Stephen Kirby

Robinson, John—2.

EXCLUDED:

Reeves, Columbus Palestine—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report....	59.	Susp. for non-payment of dues....	2
		Excluded.....	1
		Now borne upon the roll	56—59.

VISALIA CHAPTER, No. 44.

Visalia, Tulare County.

Stated Meetings, fourth Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS:

William B Wallace, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Edward McDonald Graham, <i>Pr. Sojourner</i> ,
Christian Hausch, <i>King</i> ,	Edward Erastus McVeagh, <i>R. A. Captain</i> ,
Robert Lee Freeman, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Edmund Jones Fudge, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
James Edward Denny, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Edward Harrison Miles, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Joseph Clarence Ward, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Francis Jordan, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Robert Chidley Broder, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	Freedom Moulton Rice, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Robert Chidley Broder,	Joseph Clarence Ward,	William B Wallace.
Richard Hubbard Stevens,	Charles Henry Murphy,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Anderson, David Oscar	Hall, Albon Eugene	Quinn, Harry
Bacigalupi, Theodore	Hammond, William Hall	Russell, John Cowan
Bowhay, Jasper Newton	Hockett, John Benjamin	Smith, George Washington
Branks, Robert	Jones, John Simeon	Smith, Seth
Chatten, Richard	McIntyre, Thomas	Tracy, Persus Sprague
Cranston, Floyd Cole	Nelson, William Dennis	Tuohy, John
Crowley, Green Berry	Parker, George Alvia	Tuxberry, William Dwight
Gilroy, Launcelot	Pease, Edwin R	Walker, David Edward
Glasscock, Alpha Hayden	Pogue, James Wm. Center	Wells, Morgan James
Goad, John Cornelius	Preston, Charles Welcome	Woods, Ezekiel Wil'm'n Smith
Guggenheim, Leon		—45.

WITHDRAWN:

Blakely, Francis Algene	Goodman, Joseph	Nathan, Herman
Brower, Celsus	Hackett, Henry	Nathan, Louis David
Brown, Charles Rose	McJunkin, Joseph Talbot	Rockwell, Lorenzo Anson
Camp, William Henry	Melone, John Henry	Shore, Gilbert Edward—14.
Creighton, Thomas	Musgrave, Robert William	

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Dowdle, John Phillip—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	59	Withdrawn.....	14
Exalted.....	1—60.	Susp. for non-payment of dues.....	1
		Now borne upon the roll.....	45—60.

SANTA ROSA CHAPTER, No. 45.

Santa Rosa, Sonoma County.

Stated Meetings, first Friday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Allen Bosley Lemmon, <i>High Priest</i> ,	George Hall, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
Peter Nicholas Stofen, <i>King</i> ,	William Freeman Wines, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
Charles Martin Bumbaugh, <i>Scribe</i> ,	William Jordan Daggett, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Milo Smith Davis, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Ross, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Charles Augustus Hoffer, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Charles Lorraine Phelps, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Henry J Ross, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Winslow Simon Hosmer, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Robert Press Smith, Jr.,	Henry J Ross,	Walter Clifford Good,
Augustus Leander Fisher,	Alex. Douglas Laughlin,	George Anderson Tupper,
Allison Burr Ware,	Edward Walker Davis,	Allan Bryant.
Christopher Columbus Farmer,	Hiram Lewis Tripp,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Allen, Samuel Irwin	Dunbar, John	Johnson, Andrew
Allison, Peter	Fountain, Orlando	Johnson, George Asbury
Anderson, Thos. Hart Bent'n	Fulkerson, Theodorus S.	Kerridge, Frederick John
Appleton, Wellington	Gannon, James	Korbel, Antone Francis
Barnett, Joel Dwight	Green, Paul Franklin	Label, Herman
Berka, Frank	Grindle, Joshua	Long, Isaac
Berka, John	Guerne, George Emil	Loomis, Frank Clemmens
Box, James Allen	Halling, Fredric	Ludwig, Thomas Jefferson
Brown, Alexander	Henry, James	Mailer, James Clark
Brown, John	Highly, William	Mathews, Alfred Fletcher
Buckland, Leonard Harrison	Hodgson, William Henry	McConnell, William Elliot
Burger, Calvin Hayden	Hoover, Abram	McDonald, Mark L
Burris, David	Hoover, John	McKinley, Duncan E
Burris, Luther William	Howell, Louis Vanburgh H.	McMinn, John
Clark, Frederick Longworth	Howell, Orrin	Metcalf, Samuel Washington
Colgan, Edward Power	Hughes, John	Mills, Emory Temple
Crawford, Richard Fruit	Hunt, Joseph Hancock	Montgomery, William
Crowder, Henry Crawford	Hunt, William Jesse	Moral, Nathan
Dana, Alfred Wadsworth	Hutchinson, Samuel	Morris, Henry Bullen
Dohn, George Ernest	Ink, Walter Payne	Murdock, Lewis Anthony

Nelson, William Clark	Simmons, Leeson Gaskill	Taylor, John Shackelford
Overton, Albert Perry	Sinclair, George Henry	Vanderhoff, Martin VanBuren
Page, Charles Albert	Sparks, George Washington	Walker, John
Phillips, Walter	Speller, George	Warboys, John Walter
Piggott, James Kenneth	Spencer, Byron M	Warner, James Judson
Pitblado, Charles Bruce	Steadman, Welcome Judson	Wescoatt, Jonas
Prindle, William	Stone, Nathan Jonas	Wilton, Thomas Garrett
Roney, James Madison	Swett, Frank Hervey	Wright, Augustus Sylvanns
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RESTORED:

Brown, John	Mathews, Alfred Fletcher	Metcalf, Samuel Wash'n-3.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Bell, James Shadrach	Mathews, John Wesley	Straney, Francis Marion
Bruegge, Herman Frederick	McFadyen, Allen	Tucker, Henry Thompson
Byrne, John Carlton	Murphy, Wyman	Wright, James California
Caldwell, Charles Young	Oakes, George William	Wright, John Ripley
Hardin, Charles Henry Edwin	Parks, David Harrison	Young, Michael-17.
Harris, Jacob	Stites, Alexander Hill	

DIED:

Baxter, Thomas Phipps	Laughlin, John Mac	Young, Bird Sidney-3.
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RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	118	Susp. for non-payment of dues. 17
Exalted.....	3	Died..... 3
Affiliated.....	2	Now borne upon the roll.....106-126.
Restored.....	3-126.	

WOODLAND CHAPTER, No. 46.

Woodland, Yolo County.

Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Francis Ellsworth Baker, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Loren Warren Hilliker, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
Donald Fraser, <i>King</i> ,	Frederick Miller, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Franklin Sylvester Freeman, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Thomas Henry Warrington, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
John Dickson Stephens, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	James Thomas Taylor, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
James Kerson Smith, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Levi Brandon Adams, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Temple Perrin Magee, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	Edward Glendenning, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Donald Fraser,	Francis Ellsworth Baker,	Loren Warren Hilliker.
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ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Blowers, Russell Bigelow	Charmak, Louis	Cramer, Lewis
Bower, John Guster	Cohen, William	Davison, Benj. Franklin
Boyle, John	Coil, Leroy	Day, Charles Granville
Brown, Elijah William	Craig, Thornton	Diggs, David Pitt

Dresbach, William	Goodin, Thomas Clinton	Lowry, John William
Ely, Isaac Jefferson	Guthrie, Thomas Walker	Marden, William Harrison
Frederick, John George	Harling, Micajah Oglesby	Rahm, Francis Marion
Freeman, John Watts	Hill, Henry Abraham	Williams, John Calvert
Frost, Charles Stincen	Houx, David Franklin	Winne, William Henry
Gable, Amos William	Howard, Stephen A	Woodard, Geo. Washington
Gable, Harvey Clinton	Hurlbut, George Rogers	Young, Joseph Garnet—46.
Garey, George Jones		

MOST EXCELLENT MASTER:

Grim, William Everett—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Kennedy, John

Rodolph, Godfrey—2.

DIED:

Kean, Andrew Carlisle

Simpson, John Lowrey—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....48	Withdrawn..... 2
Affiliated..... 2—50.	Died 2
	Now borne upon the roll.....48—50.

LASSEN CHAPTER, No. 47.

Susanville, Lassen County.

*Stated Meetings, second Saturday after Full Moon in each month.***OFFICERS:**

William Brockman, <i>High Priest,</i>	Morris Asher, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
Frederick Hines, <i>King,</i>	Noble Samuel McKinsey, <i>R. A. Captain,</i>
Eber Gaston Bangham, <i>Scribe,</i>	James Branham, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Lyman Collins Stiles, <i>Treasurer,</i>	John Oshlan, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Wright Patrick Hall, <i>Secretary,</i>	Jules Alexander, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Julien Eugene Pardee, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	John Hanson Marker, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

John Ranshaw Lockwood,	Philip Jacob Goumaz,	William David Minckler,
Eber Gaston Bangham,	James Branham,	William Brockman.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Alexander, Abraham	Kruger, Frank	Pullen, Granville
Bailey, Ira Eugene	Masten, William Thomas	Ripley, Charles Jackson
Bereman, Henry	Maxwell, Jefferson Houston	Santee, Milton
Bobo, Benjamin Franklin	McDow, Lafayette Decatur	Sharp, James Porter
Cramer, Daniel	McGill, Robert Leslie	Sheldon, Benjamin Franklin
Crane, William Henry	McKenzie, Alex. Archibald	Smith, Albert Augustus
Dodge, Edward Robert	McKenzie, Donald William	Smith, Isaac Wright
Emmons, Theo. Frelingh'n	McKissick, Jacob	Stoll, Charles Michael
Hall, William Henry	Miller, Andrew	Snyder, Henry
Hathaway, Hiram Jackson	Moon, Abraham Gillette	Spalding, Zetus Newell
Hendrick, James Wesley	Morgan, Charles Henry	Talbot, Enoch Stanwood
Hyer, David Campbell	Otto, Anthony	Tremain, Robert
Kingsbury, William Charles	Otto, Fred	Williams, Eugene Albert
Knoch, David	Pieroe, George Strunk	Winchell, Hiram—57.

PAST MASTER:

Bird, Albert Dixon—1.

RESTORED:

Emmons, Theodore Frellinghuysen—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....56 Now borne upon the roll.....57.
 Restored 1—57.

DIXON CHAPTER, No. 48.**Dixon, Solano County.***Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon in each month.***OFFICERS:**

John William McFadyen, <i>High Priest,</i>	William Henry Garnett, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
John Devano Grady, <i>King,</i>	James Phillip Martin, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Joseph Henry McCune, <i>Scribe,</i>	James Edwin Apperson, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Charles Cambridge Donoho, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Seligman Goodman, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
George Ullsteen, <i>Secretary,</i>	George Clifford Russell, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
_____, <i>Captain of the Host,</i> _____, <i>Guard.</i>	

Past High Priests:

John Sweany,	Jonathan Merritt Dudley,	John William McFadyen.
Herman Eppinger,	William Henry Wells,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Abbey, John Alexander	Fraser, Gillivray	Morrison, Robert
Agee, Charles Frederick	Garnett, James Sinclair	Nielson, Ole
Agee, Christ'r Columbus	Gates, Thomas Milton	Nudd, Elmer Ellsworth
Aiken, Perly Johnson	Gordon, Melvin Barnes	Rice, John Henry
Baker, William	Gould, Eugene Henry	Ross, Henry Ackson
Bates, Walter Earnest	Heuer, John Henry	Russell, Francis Exaria
Clark, Calvin Crawford	Hillman, Arthur Constant'e	Russell, William Ogburn
Craig, Frederick	Ireland, Elias	Simms, William
Currey, Montgomery Scott	Job, Charles Edward	Stephens, Rob't Edmond Lee
Downs, George McClellan	Johnson, James Otis	Thompson, George
Englehart, Edmond Johnson	Kelly, Benjamin Franklin	Wire, Franklin Benjamin
Eppinger, Joshua	Kline, Joseph	Wolfskill, Edward
Ettlinger, Bernhard	Madden, John Rightmire	Yount, George Walter
Ferguson, Wm. Redmond	McCune, Henry Ewalt	Yount, John Burnett—58.
Frahm, Claus	Morris, William Henry	

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Baker, Roland Thomas

Tyler, Elias Mortimer—2.

DIED:

Bullard, William Green

Klayes, Frederick

McKinley, Geo. Churchill—3.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....60	Susp. for non-payment of dues... 2
Exalted 3—63.	Died 3
	Now borne upon the roll.....58—63.

MODESTO CHAPTER, No. 49.**Modesto, Stanislaus County.***Stated Meetings, second Thursday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Frank Albert Cressey, <i>High Priest,</i>	Robert Elder, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
Frederick Henry Zander, <i>King,</i>	Thomas Kennan Beard, <i>Royal Arch Capt.,</i>
Guy Kilburn, <i>Scribe,</i>	Walter Benjamin Wood, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
John Edward Ward, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Clarence Augustus Stonesifer, <i>M. 2d Vail,</i>
George Russell Stoddard, <i>Secretary,</i>	John Stewart Alexander, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
John William Tulloch, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Henry Vogelmann, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Elihu Burritt Beard,	Gilbert Paul Ostrom,	Andrew Robertson Jamison.
Adolphus Hewel,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Bach, William Francis	Kelly, David Chalfant	Ripperdan, Isaac
Bartoh, Frederick	Klehn, Henry	Root, Milton Burdette
Bledsoe, Willis	Kuhns, Elmer	Shirley, Hopkins Tinney
Dalby, Samuel Price	Lathrop, James McElroy	Stewart, Alexander
Davis, Frank Collins	Lawfence, George	Stratton, John Augustus
Dettelbach, Julius	Longhead, George	Thomas, Richard Henry
Dorsey, Caleb	Means, Andrew Jackson	Tuggle, William Harrison
Elfers, Charles Diedrich	Meinecke, Edward	Weyer, Frederick
Fortune, James Pulaski	Meinecke, Frederick	Wright, Christop'r Columbus
Hall, William Wheeler	Purvis, Richard Benjamin	Yancey, Thomas Grayson
Hayter, Abram La Fayette	Richardson, Thomas	Young, John Phillips
Haslacher, Jacob	Riggs, John Stewart	Zimdars, Otto Ernest—53.
Kahn, Louis		

DIED:

De Hart, John

Newsom, John Moore—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report..... 48	Died 2
Exalted..... 6	Now borne upon the roll..... 53—55.
Affiliated..... 1—55.	

VENTURA CHAPTER, No. 50.**San Buenaventura, Ventura County.***Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon in each month.***OFFICERS:**

James Walker, <i>High Priest,</i>	Willis Philip Lincoln, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
Frederick William Baker, <i>King,</i>	Herbert Alvord Giddings, <i>R. A. Captain,</i>
Andrew Jackson Comstock, <i>Scribe,</i>	Henry Isaac Hopkin, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
John Stevenson Collins, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Frank Elwell Davis, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Nehemiah Blackstock, <i>Secretary,</i>	Andrew Badgeley, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Joseph Julius Haberer, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Amos Dudley Seward, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Lemuel Clark McKeeby,	James Allen Day,	Edward Taylor Hare,
Eugene Preston Foster,	Kenneth Peter Grant,	James Walker.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Bard, Cephas Little	Eastin, Lafayette Findla	Metcalf, Charles Wesley
Bard, Thomas Robert	Ely, Martin Judah	Mott, David Wallace
Benchley, Edward Kellogg	Finney, Charles Grandison	Robinson, Ch'ph'r Maxwell
Blanchard, Nathan Weston	Galley, Daniel Gregg	Simpson, Volney Alexander
Brooks, James Marion	Gilbert, Geo. Shoebr'ge, Jr.	Smith, Alvin Billings
Budreau, Edward Silas	Gosnell, Truman B	Taggart, Edwin
Cannon, Marion	Hall, Edwin Seth	Taylor, Casper
Chaffee, Walter Scott	Kaiser, Joseph M	Thompson, Wm. Henry Albert
Chrisman, Gilpin Wallace	Knighten, William Amon	Todd, Theodore
Clemmens, Andrew	McGuire, William	Williams, Benjamin Tully
Cox, Richard	McKevett, Charles Henry	Wolf, Moise Lazard—51.
Crawford, James Monroe		

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....46	Now borne upon the roll.....51.
Exalted, 3	
Affiliated 2—51.	

CORINTHIAN CHAPTER, No. 51.**Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara County.***Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

James Henry Austin, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Benjamin Franklin Thomas, <i>Pr. Sojourner</i> ,
Walter Burton Cope, <i>King</i> ,	William Preston Butcher, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
Eli Rundell, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Frank Adelbert Conant, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
John Peck Stearns, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Delos Peer, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Alfred Bascom Williams, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Ira Loomis, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Albert Perham Hardy, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	Daniel Moyer, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

John Peck Stearns,	John Delos Peer,	John N Hiller,
George Edward Childs,	Rollin Dunshee.	Edward Gardner Dodge.
Benjamin Franklin Thomas,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Andrews, James Henry	Hatch, David Patterson	Norway, William Henry
Barker, James Lawrence	Hawley, Walter Augustus	Paddock, Edgar Luzerne
Broughton, Robert John	Higbee, Charles James	Rogers, Herbert Augustine
Daniels, Thomas Payne	Hill, Jesse	Shotwell, Marcus Aveatus
Dimock, Harry Clinton	Kelton, Charles Henry	Squier, Oliver Perry
Eddleman, Jacob Joshua	Laughlin, Henry James	Todd, Alexander Brunt
Faber, George	Lehman, David Isaac	Whitaker, James Gilmore
Garretson, J. McCullough	Linquest, August Ludwek	Wilson, Albert Calhoun Jos.
Gourley, Eliakim Tupper	Mathis, Jacob Alvin	Wilson, Jerome Calvin—45.
Harrington, John Kennedy	McFarlane, James Clarke	

MOST EXCELLENT MASTER:

Treadway, Clinton William—1.

PAST MASTER:

Enis, Foston—1.

MARK MASTER:

Pratt, Edward Baker—1.

RESTORED:

Shotwell, Marcus Avestus—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Frink, Clarence Henry

Hayman, Albert

Storke, Charles Albert—3.

DIED:

Fernald, Charles—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	44	Withdrawn	3
Exalted	8	Died	1
Affiliated	1	Now borne upon the roll.....	45—49.
Restored.....	1—49.		

HUMBOLDT CHAPTER, No. 52.

Eureka, Humboldt County.

*Stated Meetings, second Monday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Thomas Barnes Cutler, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Louis Persons, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
Lewis Buoncore Kingsbury, <i>King</i> ,	Robert Copeland, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Emery Jonathan Chapman, <i>Scribe</i> ,	John Marvin Melendy, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
James William Henderson, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Louis Rice, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
William Patterson Hanna, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Henry Trost, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
John Lester Maurer, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	William Daniel McKay, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Thomas Blakwell,	Joseph Dibble Hoyt Chamberlin,	Thomas Barnes Cutler.
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ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Anderson, Andrew William	Clark, John Gordon	Graham, John George
Anderson, James Peter	Clark, Robert Dale	Graham, Wesley Charles
Auraud, Frank Clateon	Clyborne, W Frank	Greenwald, Julius
Barnard, James Edwin	Cutler, Thomas	Haensel, Julius HeinrichGus
Baylor, Daniel	Davies, Jasper Newton	Hamilton, John
Beckwith, Frank Walter	Delamere, Henry Sinclair	Hart, Plummer Frederick
Bigelow, Charles Edwin	Dinkelspiel, Adolph	Harpst, Charles Isaiah
Bonifield, Samuel	Dinsmore, William	Harpst, Cornelius N
Borg, Edward Nelson	Doe, Charles Albion	Hetfield, Albert DeForest
Brown, Thomas McGinnis	Douglas, George Carlton	Hetherington, John, Jr.
Bryce, William	Dunlap, David A	Hill, Randall
Buck, Silas Montgomery	Emerson, Thomas Ruthven	Howard, Clarence M. Leig'n
Bull, John Clark, Jr.	Faron, Lewis Hoile	Howatt, James College Pope
Campbell, Alexander	Gallop, John Thomas	Holmes, Samuel
Carson, Charles Alexander	Glennon, Patrick Joseph	Hutchins, Robert Walker
Carson, George	Graeter, Luther Drury	Jackson, Harry Woodville

Keene, George Hamilton	Phillips, Edwin S	Sinclair, John Archibald
Langford, Thomas	Pine, Safford Fay	Smith, James L
Marvin, George D	Powell, Robert Baldwin	Spring, Obadiah Hill
McCann, Charles Frederick	Renfro, David Kennedy	Stoessiger, Julius Theodore
McCullins, David	Roberts, James Thomas	Stone, Wesley Whipple
McGeorge, John Frederick	Roberts, Melvin Parker	Swauger, Samuel Adams
McKay, Richard	Ross, Andrew Walker	Thompson, Hiram Freeman
McLeod, John	Ross, James	Thompson, James Franklin
McNamara, William Jewett	Russ, Ira Alonzo	Thompson, Sidney William
Nelson, Aaron Frederick	Ryan, John Walter	Wentworth, Harris Barnes
Noecker, Charles	Sherburne, Benjamin F	Williams, George Frank
Ohman, Ignatius Joseph	Sevier, Ernest	Wilson, Emet Wakeman
Oliver, Frank Wright	Sherwood, Edgar Dudley	Zaruba, Valcao
Percy, Edwin Hudson	Siedell, Arthur Charles	Zehndner, George—104.

WITHDRAWN:

Monkman, John Francis—1.

DIED:

Connors, Thomas

Thomson, John Smith—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	103	Withdrawn.....	1
Exalted.....	3	Died.....	2
Affiliated.....	1—107.	Now borne upon the roll..	104—107.

UKIAH CHAPTER, No. 53.

Ukiah, Mendocino County.

Stated Meetings, first and third Wednesdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

George Washington Stout, <i>High Priest</i> ,	George McCowen, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
James Robert Mathews, <i>King</i> ,	Charles Cunningham, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
John Henry Barker, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Thomas Charlton, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Samuel Wheeler, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Taylor, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
William Truman Kirkwood, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Herbert Saunders, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Fred Clark Handy, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Lee L Harbert, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

John Wesley Jenkins,	William Watkins Cunningham,	James Milton Mannon,
George McCowen,	Jeremiah Henry Donohoe,	Benson Clark Bellamy.
Edward Warren King,	William Isbell,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Abraham, Louis	Bechtol, Albert George	Collyer, William Henry
Ambrose, Charles Delos	Benton, James Brown	Compton, Thos. Jefferson
Babcock, Lyman Wilbert	Boulon, Paul Amabel Leon	Dart, Frederick William
Baily, Washington Irving	Bransford, Walter Lee	Day, Louis Taylor
Barnes, Thomas Langley	Carothers, Thomas Langley	De Camp, Clarence Eastman

Donohue, Edward John	Jourdon, Joseph Daniel	Rawles, Thomas Edward
Elliot, William Ross	Kilbourn, William Vincent	Reed, John Smith
Forse, William Henry	Kimball, Charles	Reilly, James Edward
Foster, Jesse Valentine	Lane, John Crosby	Salmon, George Washington
Gerber, August	Levey, Morris Frank	Seawell, John Henry
Grey, Ninian Edward	Markle, Robert Bruce	Sleeper, Ed
Gowell, Charles Alfred	Marks, Seymour	Singley, George Henry
Hagans, William Anderson	McCowen, Hale	Smith, Martin Thomas
Hagenmeyer, Gebhard	McGarvey, Robert	Smith, Tracy Hubbard
Hatch, Hiram Treat	McKay, Andrew	Standley, Jeremiah M
Heeser, William	McPhee, George Sanford	Tanner, Dennis
Hendrix, Jay Ward	Montague, Lemuel Davis	Thomas, Andrew Jackson
Henley, Whitcomb	Newfield, Marcus	Updegraff, Jacob
Hirsch, Benoit Samuel	Orr, James Henry	Wagenseller, Norton
Hoak, Elvin Newman	Packard, Charles Oscar	White, Clarence Ulmer
Holliday, Stonewall Jackson	Paxton, Samuel Diel	Whitten, Carroll Henry
Hornbrook, Sanders	Petersen, James Lewis	Yell, Archibald
Jarvis, Henry Herbert	Proudfoot, William	Zimmerman, William Tell

—88.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....85	Now borne upon the roll.....88.
Exalted..... 1	
Affiliated..... 2—88.	

KEYSTONE CHAPTER, No. 56.

San Bernardino, San Bernardino County.

Stated Meetings, second Monday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Henry A Keller, <i>High Priest,</i>	George Edward Burrall, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
William Lewis Hubbard, <i>King,</i>	Smith Cook Haile, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
William Lloyd Garrison Soule, <i>Scribe,</i>	George Lord, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Lewis Jacobs, <i>Treasurer,</i>	William Swaize Hooper, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Jeremiah Drake Ousterhout, <i>Secretary,</i>	Edward David Roberts, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Thomas Jonathan Wilson, <i>Capt. of Host,</i>	Henry Francis Wegnori, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Horace Cowen Rolfe,	Wm. Lloyd Garrison Soule,	William Craig.
Thomas Jonathan Wilson,	Henry A Keller,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Andreson, John	Harris, Jacob	Kurts, Christian
Chamblin, Wilbur Newton	Hart, Alexander Hamilton	La Rue, Jeremiah
Clark, Horace	Hobart, Charles H	Lawrence, Chas. Marshall
Cole, George Benjamin	Hook, John	McCullough, William Pinkey
Crafts, George Herbert	Hubbard, Anthony Gerhart	Morse, Arthur Perry
Davis, Milo Eugene	Kennedy, Dennis Meade	Papenhausen, Henry
Deck, Lewis	Kennedy, Robert James	Porter, William Robert
Downs, John Whitney	King, John Caleb	Shaw, David Augustus
French, George William	Knapp, Calvin Reason	Terrass, Milford Byron—43.
Gibson, James Alexander	Knox, John Thompson	

MARK MASTER:

Mann, James—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Kelly, John Jay

Robinson, Henry Walter—2.

DIED:

Peacock, James Corbett—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report. ....38	Withdrawn..... 2
Exalted..... 8—46.	Died 1
	Now borne upon the roll.....43—46.

SIGNET CHAPTER, No. 57.

Los Angeles, Los Angeles County.

*Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

August Wackerbarth, <i>High Priest</i> ,	George Webb Aylsworth, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
William Hurd White, <i>King</i> ,	Hampens Victor Bard, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
Niles Pease, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Jasper Newton Preston, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Tom Jeremiah Weldon, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Sargent Perry, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Charles Otis Scott, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Arthur Brookman, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Edward David Gibson, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	Isaac Alexander McMillan, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Robert Rufus Brown,	Julius Herbert Martin,	George Mortimer Holton,
Rob. Gilmore Cunningham,	Trowbridge Hyer Ward,	John Amos Kingsley,
Charles Wilson Bush,	John Condit Haskell,	Henry Sayre Orme, <i>P. G. H. P.</i>

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Ainsworth, Frank Kenley	Bicknell, John Dustin	Bundrem, Howard Graham
Alexander, Edmund Kimball	Biscailuz, Martin Vincent	Burbank, David
Alford, Chauncey Higby	Boal, Robert Hughes	Burns, John
Alles, Fred Lind	Bonsall, William Henry	Burr, Charles Martin
Anderson, Horace Philip	Bonyng, Walter Alfred	Burr, William Anthony
Archer, Richard Edwin	Boring, William Alciphron	Borr, William Orange
Arnold, George Leonard	Boshyshell, Edw. Christian	Butler, Sidney Alcut
Blair, Darius H	Bower, Eugene Clarence	Campbell, Charles
Baldwin, Cornelius Vancy	Branch, John Franklin	Carr, Mathew
Baldwin, Osmer Wheeler	Bray, Arthur	Carter, Julius Munson
Barclay, David Eric	Breed, Levi Newton	Carter, William Bell
Beck, Samuel James	Brodtsbeck, Otto	Cass, Alonzo Beecher
Bell, Jas. Edgar Stevenson	Brousseau, Julius	Cherry, Alexander
Bell, James George	Brown, Albert	Childress, Wm. Townsend
Bell, William Middlemast	Brown, John Alexander	Christopher, John Francis
Bennett, Samuel Warner	Brown, LeRoy Decatur	Church, William James
Beyle, Robert	Bullis, Omri	Clark, Charles Hardenburg

Clark, Gillies Archibald	Heartt, Charles Lawrence	Merrill, George Whitney
Clark, William Hovey	Hellman, Isaias Wolf	Meyers, Henry Lane
Clifford, Emmett Flye	Hellman, Herman Wolf	Miles, David Edwin
Clippinger, Isaac Meason	Henderson, Wm. Hutchinson	Miles, Nelson Appleton
Cochran, William George	Hill, Timothy Preston	Molyneaux, Francis Asbury
Cole, Jerritt Walter	Hoffman, John Kay	Montgomery, Jas. Andrew
Conklin, Hiram Hedges	Hopkins, Fred Beech	Moore, Alfred, Jr.
Cooper, Henry Hill	Hornbeck, Charles	Moore, James Lamar
Cowan, John	House, Melancthon	Morgan, William Adams
Cox, Will James	House, Radcliff Frank	Morrison, Norman Holt
Crank, James Fillmore	Howe, Alvin Jared	Mullard, Richard Thomas
Crawford, John H	Hubbard, Albert Allen	Murray, John Emmett
Cusner, James	Humphreys, Chas. Harkness	Murray, Nelson Henry
Davis, George Henry	Jacobson, Christian Fred'k	Murphy, Daniel
Dering, Thomas Roswell	Jepsen, Jacob	Musey, Nathan Dickinson
De Witt, Andrew Jackson	Jewett, Stanley Punchardon	Nance, Benjamin Franklin
Dodge, Shailor Calver	Johnston, John Milton	Neuhart, Daniel, Jr.
Donnell, John Alexander	Jordan, Franklin	Osborne, Henry Zenas
Dougherty, Thos. Cadwalla'r	Joy, Duane Francisco	Owens, Madison Townsend
Dowling, James Nelson	Judson, Edw. Steaubt Maggie	Packard, John Elwood
Downie, William	Keller, Henry Workman	Park, John Simpson
Drifill, James Alexander	Kelly, Richard Washington	Parke, Elbert Taylor
Drought, Robert	Kenny, Robert Wolfenden	Patterson, Henry
Dunsmoor, Charles Henry	Knickerbocker, Niles	Pattison, Jas. Ham'n Wilson
Durgin, Walter Clement	Koepfle, Joseph O	Pavovich, John Luke
Earl, Edwin Tobias	Kubach, Christian John	Peasley, Andrew
Eddy, Frank Cowan	Kuhrts, Jacob	Pendleton, Cornelius Welles
Eador, William Henry	Lamb, Willard	Perry, William Hayes
Fairchild, Charles Herbert	Lane, Alexander F	Picket, Daniel
Ferguson, William	Lane, Fred J	Polaski, Lewis
Field, Daniel Webster	Langdon, Fred Sylvester	Preston, Isaac Hubbard
Fiasus, Joseph	Lankershim, James Boone	Reiser, Theodore
Flint, Frank Putnam	Lightner, Daniel Westley	Reithmuller, Aloise Jean
Ford, George Oscar	Lindley, Hervey	Richards, Thomas William T
Fordham, Milton Cephas	Lindley, Walter	Richel, Carl
Fowler, Edwin Waring	Llewellyn, Llewellyn James	Rockwell, Lorenzo Allen
Francis, John Wilson	Long, James William	Rohrer, John Bonewitz
Fraser, Alexander	Maguire, John Francis	Ross, Levi Adolphus
Freeman, Edwin Herbert	Mansfield, John Patrick	Ruddy, William
Furrey, William Corbett	Marsh, James Harvey	Russell, Daniel Lindsey
Gibson, Francis Asbury	Martin, Thomas Wilson	Russell, Horace Marvin
Gillespie, Samuel Smith	Martin, Russell Clinton	Rutan, Charles Franklin
Gillis, William Templeman	Mason, Charles Cole	Salisbury, John Caleb
Glass, Henry	Mason, Henry D	Sargent, Edward William
Graham, Robert John	Maxson, Geo. Washington	Scarborough, William Byron
Haas, Solomon Iramcher	McClure, Joseph Stewart	Schmidt, Theodore August
Habel, George Henry	McDonald, Edward Nathan'l	Schoder, Joseph
Hamilton, Albert Newell	McIlmoil, John	Selp, George Edward
Hansell, Edward	McIntyre, Charles Ira	Settle, John
Hathaway, Harry Richard	McKanna, Patrick Aug'tine	Shaffer, John
Hartup, Edmund	McKinley, James Wilfred	Sheldon, Willard M
Hay, James	McManis, John Rodman	Sheridan, John Henry
Hayes, Louis Alexander	Mead, Charles Abiel	Shinn, William Hollis

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Abbott, George	Harris, James	Patterson, Alexander
Abbott, Harvey Eldon	Hatton, William	Pinkerton, William
Archer, Samuel Milton	Hill, William Jay	Porter, John Brewer
Ball, Henry Seymour	Hiller, Andrew	Porter, Robert Lindsay
Black, Victor Delmor	Hitchcock, Benjamin	Renison, Thomas
Boyers, Cary Lee	Hoffman, Christian	Reynolds, John
Brown, Andrew Washington	Hoffman, Henry	Riley, James Alexander
Brown, Clinton Edwin	Housh, William Harvey	Sargent, Bradley Varnum
Brown, Pearl Raymond	Jackson, Alexander Bell	Schroeder, Frederick Wm.
Cayer, Ovila	Josselyn, Edward Spencer	Smeltzer, M. Jacob Grove
Chamberlain, Chas. Grand'n	Joy, Charles	Smith, Lovias
Chappel, Thomas	Joy, John Greene	Snively, James Bowman
Cook, Theodore Webster	Lambert, Thomas Grafton	Steinbeck, John Ernest
Eaton, Edwin Alexander	Logwood, Samuel Hall	Sutton, William
Edwards, William Sawyer	Logwood, William Mayfield	Taft, William Henry
Fancher, James Knox Polk	Martin, William Jefferson	Trimmer, Oliver Smith
Faw, George Eugene	McGarvey, William Victor	Tuttle, Charles Kirkham
Faw, Thomas Felix	Nissen, Christian	Uttley, George
Fenton, Edward	Norton, Andrea Massena	Whitcher, Charles Rose, Jr.
Graves, James Elbert	Palmer, Hiram Jairus	Widemann, Alfred—78.
Harmes, George	Parker, Wm. Matticks Rogers	

MOST EXCELLENT MASTER:

Brokaw, Elmer Zell—1.

MARK MASTER:

Gibson, Thomas—1.

RESTORED:

Chamberlain, Charles Grandison—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Hertel, Charles Augustus Emanuel

Monroe, Daniel—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Brown, John Henry

Holmes, James Frederick

Sargent, James Patty—3.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	79	Withdrawn.....	2
Exalted.....	3	Susp. for non-payment of dues....	3
Restored.....	1—83.	Now borne upon the roll.....	78—83.

COLUSA CHAPTER, No. 60.

Colusa, Colusa County.

Stated Meetings, first and third Wednesdays in each month.

OFFICERS:

Joseph Bailey Cooke, <i>High Priest,</i>	William Harrison Buster, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
Claude Edward De St. Maurice, <i>King,</i>	Rotheus Augustus Gray, <i>R. A. Captain,</i>
Robert Cosner, <i>Scribe,</i>	Joseph Byron Stanton, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Edward Winslow Jones, <i>Treasurer,</i>	John Charles Mogk, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Richard Jones, <i>Secretary,</i>	John Sites, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
John Lowry Jackson, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	John Henry Liening, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priest :

Joseph Bailey Cooke.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Ayer, Leonard Barnard	Fouch, John Franklin	Sites, William Franklin
Bungarde, George	Furth, Jacob	Swinford, Edwin
Cheaney, John	Harden, George Beaty	Thayer, Albert Austin
Clark, Reuben	Jones, James Thaddeus	Vaughan, Cornelius L. N.
De Jarnatt, John Burris	Mason, William Farington	Winkler, James Jackson
Elliott, Henry Baker	Noble, William Wallace	Wilson, Cyrus Pogue—30.

WITHDRAWN :

Wiles, John Marshall—1.

DIED:

Guernsey, Henry

Longmire, Samuel C—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....33.	Withdrawn.....1
	Died.....2
	Now borne upon the roll.....30—33.

SAN DIEGO CHAPTER, No. 61.*San Diego, San Diego County.**Stated Meetings, second Monday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Eli Tucker Blackmer, <i>High Priest</i> ,	George Mifflin Dannals, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
James Godfrey Decatur, <i>King</i> ,	John R Aitken, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
John Brundrage Hinton, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Charles John Hyland, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Samuel Warren Hackett, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William John Mossholder, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
John Waldo Thompson, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Gilbert Conger Arnold, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Addison Morgan, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Thomas Goodwin Jefferis, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

William Augustus Begole,	Simon Levi,	Eli Tucker Blackmer.
John Waldo Thompson,	George Mifflin Dannals,	

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Allison, Juan Maxwell	Cameron, Thomas Ross	Fenn, Charles Merwin
Anderson, Charles	Campbell, Chas. Alexander	Fournier, Ferdinand
Asher, Josephus Marion	Carl, Irving L	Goldbaum, Simon
Babcock, Milton Stout	Cave, Daniel	Grow, Galusha Benton
Bass, John Duncan	Clark, John Milton	Harbison, John S
Bowers, William Wallace	Conklin, Norman Henry	Hearne, Joseph Carter
Bradt, Garrett Gareon	Conroy, John	Jackson, Jacob Young
Bradt, Horace	Craigue, Solon William	Jewell, William Shepherd
Bullis, William Shufelt	Crosthwaite, Philip	Johnstone, James Simpson
Burgess, Edward Ezekiel	Dill, Albert Freeman	Kimball, Frank Augustus
Bushyhead, Edw. Wilkerson	Douglas, Charles H	Levi, Isaac

Louis, Emanuel J	Patterson, Charles Fremont	Simpson, John Henfrey
Luce, Moses Augustin	Plaisted, Leland Howard	Stewart, William Wallace
Marks, Joseph	Powers, Robert Morris	Thomas, Richard A
Matfield, George Henry	Reed, David Curtis	Thomson, William Fife
Matthiessen, Albert Henry	Rockfellow, Eugene Francis	Thoustrup, Julius Arendt E
McDougal, Wm. Bradford	Rouland, Niles Peter	Thurman, John
McLure, Louis Steenrod	Scribner, George Osborne	Weineke, Henry William
Mumford, John Valentine	Schneider, Arnold	Winsby, Enoch
Nerney, Thomas Alexis	Shaw, Thomas Montague	York, Charles E—75.
Olmstead, Stephen Horatio		

WITHDRAWN:

Cooper, Henry Ernest	Humphreys, Thomas Henry	Tobey, Milton B H
Davis, Murray	Morse, Philip	Wheeler, George Bourne—6.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Connor, John Henry	Ginty, John	Remondino, Peter Charles—3.
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EXCLUDED:

Hamilton, James Kiah	Restarick, Henry Bond	Thielen, Joseph
Hubbell, Oren Sage	Schilling, Henry Emil	White, Theo. Frelinghuysen
Paine, John Oliver Winslow		—7.

DIED:

Faivre, Joseph	Treanor, Charles Augustus—2.
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RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	87	Withdrawn.....	6
Exalted	3	Susp. for non-payment of dues....	3
Affiliated.....	3—98.	Excluded.....	7
		Died.....	2
		Now borne upon the roll.....	75—93.

SAN LUIS CHAPTER, No. 62.

San Luis Obispo, San Luis Obispo County.

Stated Meetings, first Friday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Philip Francis Ready, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Kaufman Green, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
Fred Adolphus Dorn, <i>King</i> ,	George Breck Staniford, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
_____, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Hiram Jefferson Beck, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Henry Loobliner, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Ralph Parker Sutliff, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
John Whicher, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Simon Hempel Hanson, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
George Story, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Andrew Williamson, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Levi Rackliffe,	William Harrison Spencer,	Kaufman Green.
Frederick Adams,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Ballou, Stephen Davis	Jack, Robert Edgar	Pollard, Samuel Adams
Blackburn, Daniel Drew	Johnston, Hosea Holcomb	Prefumo, Pietro Benedetto
Booth, Alfred Roger	Kaetzal, Phillip	Reed, Charles Henry
Brooks, Benjamin	Laar, Isaac	Rice, Coffee Adam
Carter, Wirt Ludore	Laar, Marcus	Robbins, Fred Olmstead
Cass, James	Latimer, Benjamin Griffith	Russell, Charles Jay
Crocker, Adolph	Lewis, Jesse Elisha	Sandercock, William
Dallidet, Pierre Hyp'lite, Jr.	Lucas, William Thomas	Smith, Edwin
Douglas, Gerard Noel	McCoy, George Watson	Smith, William John
Farnum, Charles Alson	Michael, Geo. Washington	Speyer, David
Filliponi, Dannis	Muir, Jeremiah	Steinhart, Alphonse Wash.
Garrison, Daniel Marcus	Muscio, Abramo	Tognazzini, Antonio
Goldtree, Morris	Muscio, Giuseppe	Tognazzini, Peter
Hardie, Angus McPherson	Netter, Nathan	Tomasini, Louis
Harkinson, Robert	Nichols, George Burritt	Victors, Henry
Harloe, Marcus	Noah, Louis Meyer	Vollmer, Edward
Hasbrouk, Abram Bruyn	Noah, Meyer	Warden, Lew Moore
Hays, William Williams	Pezroni, Batista	Watson, James William
Hoff, Marcus Jacob	Phillips, Chauncey Hatch	Williams, Thomas Jeffreys
Hollister, John Hubbard	Poland, Renson	Wood, Beder Junior—75.
Ide, Bela Clinton		

MARK MASTER:

Call, Samuel Johnson—1.

RESTORED:

Smith, Edwin—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Reid, Thompson—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Barger, Daniel Edwin
Greenberg, Meyer

Maxwell, Charles

Peterson, Peter—4.

DIED:

Fillmore, James Millard

Rodgers, William—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	80	Withdrawn.....	1
Affiliated.....	1	Susp. for non-payment of dues....	4
Restored.....	1—82.	Died.....	2
		Now borne upon the roll....	75—82.

ST. HELENA CHAPTER, No. 63.

St. Helena, Napa County.

Stated Meetings, Thursday on or before Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS:

Wm. Whittingham Lyman, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Louis Howard Trainor, <i>Prin. Sojourner</i> ,
John Henry Steves, <i>King</i> ,	Charles Ross Vann, <i>Royal Arch Captatn</i> ,
James Mitchell, <i>Scribe</i> ,	William Alexander Bingham, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Charles Hayden Greenfield, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Charles Frederick Rice, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Marcus Fayette Inman, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Wirt Bradbury, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Benj. Franklin Kettlewell, <i>Capt. of Host</i> ,	David Galewsky, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priest:

William Whittingham Lyman.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Adamson, Christian Pugh	Johns, Josiah	Ritchie, Mathew G
Boland, Michael Sixon	Lander, George	Shakespeare, David
Burgess, Charles Metzgar	McIntire, James Jackson	Vann, William Franklin
Foss, Raymond	Meacham, Henry Martin	Williams, Alton Levant
Gibbs, Willard Samuel	Pellet, Frank	Wright, Joseph Warren
Greer, Thomas	Phillips, William Lucas	York, Eli McBride—32.
Ink, Theron Hotchkiss	Pickett, Charles Nathan	

PAST MASTERS:

Delafield, Robert Hare

Rocca, Andrew—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....32. Now borne upon the roll.....32.

ACACIA CHAPTER, No. 64.

Adin, Modoc County.

*Stated Meetings, second Saturday after Full Moon in each month.***OFFICERS:**

George Horace Knight, <i>High Priest,</i>	Charles John McCoy, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
Geo. Freelon Hueston Rice, <i>King,</i>	Charles Edmund Hill, <i>Royal Arch Capt.,</i>
Frank Pierce Parrish, <i>Scribe,</i>	Joseph Fernand Lapoint, <i>Master 3d Val,</i>
Albert Blaske, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Charles William Rice, <i>Master 2d Val,</i>
Henry David Curran, <i>Secretary,</i>	Thomas Alexander Roseberry, <i>M. 1st Val,</i>
Joseph Richardson, <i>Captain of the Host,</i>	Elsley Wiman Groves, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

George Horace Knight,

Charles John McCoy,

James Clinton Lewis.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Fruits, John Sebastian	Lapoint, Gonzague Louis	Parrish, Joseph Franklin
Groves, Jerome Charles	Massingill, William Alwin	Beavis, James Jones
Hopkins, Leonidas Hamlin	Packwood, Warren Dale	Stanley, Ransom Heenan

—22.

PAST MASTERS:

Grubbs, Elisha Parker

Saling, Richmond—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Howard, William Henry—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....20	Withdrawn 1
Exalted..... 8—23.	Now borne upon the roll.....22—23.

ANTIOCH CHAPTER, No. 65.**Antioch, Contra Costa County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday preceding the Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

James Carter, <i>High Priest,</i>	Nathaniel Woodhull Smith, <i>Pr. Sojourner,</i>
Stephen Horace McKellips, <i>King,</i>	George Holladay, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Joshua Plummer Abbott, <i>Scribe,</i>	Worth Scott George, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Joel David Wightman, <i>Treasurer,</i>	John Thomas Cox, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Charles Franklin Montgomery, <i>Secretary,</i>	Rasmus Emil Hansen, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Henry Fuller Beede, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	George Alexander Mincker, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

James Carter,	Charles Mortimer Belshaw.
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ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Booth, Frank Edward	Graves, Hiram Augustus	Storey, Walter
Cole, James Cairus	Miller, George	Veale, Richard Raines
Darby, Daniel Gibson	Norman, John	Walton, Mark Anthony
George, Frank	Simmons, Harry	Webber, David—26.
Grant, Peter Buell		

MARK MASTERS:

Metcalf, Solon Thayer	Porter, Granville Franklin—2.
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DIED:

Walton, John Parks—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....22	Died.....1
Exalted.....5—27.	Now borne upon the roll.....26—27.

DORIC CHAPTER, No. 66.**San Leandro, Alameda County.***Stated Meetings, second Saturday after Full Moon in each month.***OFFICERS:**

John Glover Reid, <i>High Priest,</i>	Amzi Briar Cary, <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
William Berry McKenzie, <i>King,</i>	Godfrey Vivian, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Frank William Bilger, <i>Scribe,</i>	Brady Washington Marlin, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
August Bjorkman, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Fritz Stenzel, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Benjamin Cowell Hawes, <i>Secretary,</i>	John Fred'k Ernst Hopper, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Andrew Gove Roberts, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Nells Henriksen, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priest:

George Edwin Kennedy.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Anspacher, Simon	Gerst, Garrison	Newell, Edward Charles
Aylward, John	Hayes, John Carey	Pitcher, Henry Hinsdale
Bailey, Hiram	Holmes, Nathaniel Breed	Schluter, Herman Francis
Bardellini, Joseph	Johnson, George	Seller, Samuel
Beck, Madison Hartwell	Keyes, Ernest Mulford	Shiman, John Ludwig
Bernal, Dennis Filbert	Landers, William John	Smith, James Dale
Bowles, Jesse	Marlin, Henry Bowers	Stone, Andrew L
Brunner, Harry Ernest	McKown, Joseph Oscar	Stone, Egbert Barker
Clark, Alson Sherman	McLeod, Andrew Jackson	Taylor, William Stewart
Crellin, Ernest Willard	Meek, Horry Wert	True, George Lewis
Fassett, Francis Ronello	Meek, William Ellsworth	Wells, Charles Samuel
Fowler, Frank Leon	Mitchell, John Lawrence	Wright, William Henry—49.

WITHDRAWN:

Merritt, Albert Humphrey

Van Valkenburgh, Charles C—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

DIED:

Fargo, Arva Alphonse—1.

McConaghy, Archie M. M.—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....41	Withdrawn..... 2
Exalted.....11—52.	Susp. for non-payment of dues.... 1
	Now borne upon the roll... ..49—52.

RIVERSIDE CHAPTER, No. 67.

Riverside, San Bernardino County.

Stated Meetings, first Tuesday on or before Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS:

Wilson Byron Russell, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Kingsbury Sanburn, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
Samuel Bond Hinckley, <i>King</i> ,	John T Jarvis, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
George Dimock Cunningham, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Gustavus Olivia Newman, <i>Master 3d Val</i> ,
Walter Elmer Keith, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Joseph Sibley Noyes, <i>Master 2d Val</i> ,
Menno S Bowman, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Sampson William Culpepper, <i>Mas. 1st Val</i> ,
Charles Wesley Filkins, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	George Mortimer Skinner, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

Menno S Bowman,

John Saxon Castleman.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Alguire, Myron	Davis, Edward James	Gunsolus, Philip Andrew
Allatt, Horace Edmunds	Deere, George Henry	Haight, Ira Crawford
Allen, Benjamin Franklin	Drinkwater, Thomas Paine	Hall, Priestly
Baker, Judah Sears	DuBois, Louis C	Hamilton, John Alex. Wm.
Barber, Ris Delos	Dunbar, Frederick Martin	Handy, Benjamin Bumpas
Boggs, Augustus Washington	Dyer, Otis Theron	Holbrook, George Robert
Bonham, John	Fountain, Jabez Husted	Holt, Amos Kendall
Cox, John Henry Dutcher	Garcelon, George William	Hornbeek, Eugene
Cundiff, Robert Preston	Gray, Charles Richard	Jarvis, Joseph

Klinefelter, Peter K	Papineau, Odley	Shugart, Kelita Davis
Locke, Benjamin Franklin	Rhodes, James D	Smith, Howard Burton
Martin, Achilles	Rice, Charles Thomas	Sulcer, Abraham Andrew
McLeod, John William	Richardson, Frank Watson	Thrall, Jerry Beecher
Miller, Frank Augustus	Rouse, Gaylor	Way, Ellsworth Henry
North, John Greenleaf	Sayward, James Wheaton	Williams, B Budd—58.

PAST MASTER:

Huff, Melvin B—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Chevalier, Edward Yates	Magee, Stephen R	Rosenthal, Emil Julius—4.
Haight, Alonzo Dewitt		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Chase, John Irving	Reynolds, Curtis C	Thrall, Henry Isaac—3.
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RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....59	Withdrawn.....4
Exalted.....8	Susp. for non-payment of dues. 3
Affiliated.....3—65.	Now borne upon the roll.....68—65.

HOLLISTER CHAPTER, No. 68.*Hollister, San Benito County.**Stated Meetings, second Wednesday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Nash Corwith Briggs, <i>High Priest,</i>	Thomas Flint, Jr., <i>Principal Sojourner,</i>
James Henry Tebbetts, <i>King,</i>	George Wapple, <i>Royal Arch Captain,</i>
Daniel Fred'c Haverl'k McPhail, <i>Scribe,</i>	William Francis Dalzell, <i>Master 3d Vail,</i>
Judson Gerald Hamilton, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Amos Marshall Harding, <i>Master 2d Vail,</i>
Samuel Clark Freels, <i>Secretary,</i>	Roscoe Green Norton, <i>Master 1st Vail,</i>
Nash Corwith Briggs, Jr., <i>Capt. of Host,</i>	William Clayton Asher, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Thomas Flint, Jr.,	Thomas Flint, Sr.
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ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Botton, Eugene Elsworth	Hollingberg, William Voss	Nash, Francis Orlando
Cargill, Charles Guy	Ladd, Leonard Murch	Nash, Pontalba Lavique
Coleman, Harry	Linsett, Archie	Rosenberg, Marcus
Cunning, Francis Ashbury	Logan, Erwin Sanford	Shackleford, Rich'd Mathew
French, Theodore Hugh	Mitchell, George Francis	Steinbeck, William Peter
Frenzel, Edmund August	Montgomery, Edward B	Wilcox, Edward North—81.

MOST EXCELLENT MASTERS:

Coy, Arthur Himeline	Lowe, John Thomas—2.
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WITHDRAWN:

Byrnes, Edward	Sanford, Daniel Kenyon—2.
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RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....25	Withdrawn.....2
Exalted.....8—83.	Now borne upon the roll.....81—83.

TRIGO CHAPTER, No. 69.**Fresno, Fresno County.***Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

John West Conger, <i>High Priest,</i>	Edward Sharp Valentine, <i>Prin. Sojourner,</i>
Henry Philip Hedges, <i>King,</i>	Duncan Donald Allison, <i>Royal Arch Capt.,</i>
James Alfred Webster, <i>Scribe,</i>	Alonzo Ooleridge Williams, <i>Master 3d Val.,</i>
Oscar J Woodward, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Charles Lewis Walter, <i>Master 2d Val.,</i>
John Robert Williams, <i>Secretary,</i>	Edward Darnall Edwards, <i>Master 1st Val.,</i>
George Hayes Monroe, <i>Capt. of the Host,</i>	Samuel Nathaniel Smith, <i>Guard.</i>

Past High Priests:

Angus Marion Clark,	George Clayton Grimes,	Edwin Forrest Selleck.
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ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Bachman, Nathan La Fay's	Eerey, Justin	Ross, Samuel Hawes
Badger, Charles Taintor	Ferguson, John William	Russell, Henry Davis
Baker, Westwood James	Gilbert, Julius Langdon	Sayle, Claudius Galen
Barling, Alfred Dare	Goldstein, Alexander	Shoobert, Chas. Waldron S.
Bradford, Ward	Hoffman, Allen Fletcher	Smith, Albert Anderson
Brown, Francis Richard	Hughes, Thomas Edwin	Smith, James Wiley
Brown, James Ewing	Hughes, William Marshall	Snow, Bert Grant
Borden, Hartwell Cook	Kaarsburg, Hans M. Hagen	Stroud, John Allen
Butler, Alban Bernhard	Knowles, William Edward	Sumner, John M
Child, Benjamin Wainwright	Mace, Russell Perry	Taylor, James
Collins, Alfred Scott	Martin, Samuel	Wagner, James Daniel
Collins, James Darwin	McDonald, Alex'der Monroe	Warner, Henry Conrad
Cox, Elmer Henry	McDonald, Donald James	Watkins, John Wesley
Daulton, Henry Clay	McDougall, Duncan Camp'll	Webster, Mark
Davis, William Ellsworth	Nelson, Thomas Pleasant	White, James Riggs
De Long, Charles Warren	Norris, Charles Henry	White, John James
Dexter, Fred. Bartelle	Parsons, George Gorton	Whitson, Jacob Emery
Dixon, Louis Le Roi	Phillips, William Walker	Wilkins, Archibald Smith
Donahoo, Michael Jefferson	Ring, William Charles	Williamson, Charles
Dusy, Frank	Robinson, Charles Henry	Yager, Cornelius
Dwyer, John	Rosenthal, Nathan	Young, Joseph Walter—79.
Eley, Mills		

RESTORED:

Collins, Alfred Scott—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Davis, William Wallace	Deardorff, Albert G	Dennis, John—3.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Dunlap, James M—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....77	Withdrawn.....3
Exalted.....4	Susp. for non-payment of dues.....1
Affiliated.....1	Now borne upon the roll.....79—83.
Restored.....1—83.	

ALAMEDA CHAPTER, No. 70.**Alameda, Alameda County.***Stated Meetings, first and third Saturdays in each month.***OFFICERS :**

John Yablonaky, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Benjamin Salsbury McFarland, <i>Pr. Sojo.</i> ,
Richard Spreckels, <i>King</i> ,	Dennis Joseph Sullivan, <i>Royal Arch Capt.</i> ,
William Bainbridge Storey, <i>Scribe</i> ,	William Augustus L. Knowles, <i>Mas. 3d Vail</i> ,
Henry Sevensing, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Franklin Lumnis Perkins, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Oswald Lubbock, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Henry Eickhoff, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Peter Klein, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	Henry Peters Decker, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests :

John Henry Eickhoff,	Fred. Wm. Gustave Moebus,	William Bainbridge Storey.
Wm. Augustus L. Knowles,		

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Ames, George Spencer	Hunter, James	Pettes, William Ethan
Barton, Phineas Wesley	Johnson, Elmer Ellsworth	Pitchford, John Benjamin
Boehmer, Fritz	Jones, William Price	Reynolds, George Potter
Brown, Cyrus Austin	Konigshofer, Julius Jonas	Sheeran, James Andrew
Dorwin, George Wadsworth	Lancaster, Americus Vesp's	Stephenson, Stanley
Dubbs, Willis Snowden	Manheim, Isaac	Stoddard, Asa Church
Ellsworth, John	Martin, David Wilkins	Strong, Milton Grosvenor
Fletter, Freeborn Jacob	McGoun, Robert	Thom, Charles Jefferson
Gewer, August	Michaels, Henry	Volberg, Charles Christian
Granger, Farley Benj., Jr.	Mitchell, Sidney George	Wall, Joseph George
Halsey, Henry Luther	Payne, George Henry	Williams, Edward Alfred
Haakell, Walter Williams	Perkins, Alfred Thomas	Woodin, Eugene
Hogeboom, Law'ce Vosberg	Petersen, Carl Christ'n Aug.	Woodward, Arthur Sedley
Holts, William		—53.

MOST EXCELLENT MASTERS:

Forderer, Joseph Frank	Pattison, Edward Adolphus—2.
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WITHDRAWN :

Hall, Gilbert Cowles—1.

DIED :

Dickson, William Oliver—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report	50	Withdrawn.....	1
Exalted.....	2	Died.....	1
Affiliated.....	3—55.	Now borne upon the roll.....	63—55.

TULARE CHAPTER, No. 71.**Tulare, Tulare County.***Stated Meetings, second and fourth Mondays in each month.***OFFICERS :**

Randolph Ray, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Geo. Washington Zartman, <i>Pr. Sojourner</i> ,
John Albert Goble, <i>King</i> ,	Jacob Wolfrom, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Basil Gaither Parker, <i>Scribe</i> ,	William Pierce Ratliff, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Edward Oakford, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Anson Parsons Hall, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Andrew Thompson Creelman, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Robert Lincoln Reid, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Jacob Franklin Bolter, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	Joseph Henry Warner, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:

George Washington Zartman,

Jacob Franklin Boller.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Allen, William Stanford	Kramer, Alexander Sanes	Russell, Calvin Louis
Arnold, James	Maples, Thompson William	Shaklee, Joseph Wilson
Barber, Emmet	Madden, David Washington	Smith, William Lenor
Blythe, Samuel Allison	Madden, Wash'ton Douglass	Slitz, John Jacob
Crowell, William Albert	Main, William Henry	Taggart, Charles Ferdinand
Deltrick, James	McMillan, Robert Thompson	Taggart, Thomas Erwin
Eckles, John Graham	Mitchell, Mike	Wallace, Hamilton
Faust, Geo. Andrew Willis	Oakes, Frederick Orrick	Wilson, John Lewis
Gowanlock, James	Richardson, Samuel	Woodruff, David Seymour
Hardie, Philip Gosil		—40.

WITHDRAWN:

Dollenmayer, Edwin Y—1.

DIED:

Carpenter, William—1.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....39	Withdrawn..... 1
Exalted 2	Died 1
Affiliated..... 1—42.	Now borne upon the roll....40—42.

CROWN CHAPTER, No. 72

Pasadena, Los Angeles County.

*Stated Meetings, second Tuesday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Amos Myron Collis, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Charles Andrew Gardner, <i>Pr. Sojourner</i> ,
Eugene Cook Griffith, <i>King</i> ,	Alfred Thorns, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Edward Everett Gaylord, <i>Scribe</i> ,	James Barr Hughes, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Sherman Washburn, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Luther Jenney Crowell, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Ernest Heath May, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Aaron Robert Klock, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Jacob Sylvester Hodge, <i>Uapt. of the Host</i> ,	Thomas Henry Webster, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priests:Romayne Williams,
Florin Leslie Jones,

Elon White,

Arthur Henry Conger.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Arnold, Delos	Brown, Patrick	Greeley, George Augustus
Atlee, William Augustus	Clapp, William Taylor	Grinnell, Fordyce
Bailey, Robert Watkins	Cole, Galusha M	Hartwell, John Lovekin
Baker, John Hamilton	Conger, Everett Lorentus	Holmes, James Huston
Banbury, Jabez	De Pencier, Silas Theodore	Jacobs, Julius Albert
Biles, Frederick Eugene	Drake, Alexander Cooper	Longley, Leonell Anzoletto
Bisbee, Alonzo Ebenezer	Foshay, James A	MacIntock, John Russell
Bley, Alphonse Alb't Willitta	Frery, Leander Warren	Magee, Harvey W
Bonham, Perry Pollock	Freeman, Oscar Otto	Martin, Thomas Jefferson
Bonner, Lewis Henry	Goltman, Thomas Winches'r	McAllister, William L
Brown, Charles Cowen	Gray, Francis Edward	McDonald, John

McGilvray, William Donald	Porter, Lafayette Seward	Twitchell, John French
McGregory, Willard Gilbert	Rhodes, Charles Hilliard	Vail, Hervey J
McLachlan, James	Roche, Albert Wilson	Vlier, John Kasper
Mohr, Richard Jacob	Rockwood, Francis Leslie	Wakeley, Alfred
Morris, Homer	Rose, Henry Howard	Wakeley, William Henry
Mosher, Evan	Slater, John Richard	Weed, Oscar F
Ocheltree, Gilbert Bryden	Slaughter, Herbert Jerome	Winter, Thaddeus
Ottman, Gilber Almon	Slaughter, Robert Coleman	Woodward, William Lewis
Patten, George Downing	Smith, Charles Arnett	Wotkyns, Walter Livingston
Perry, Miles J	Steil, Peter	Wright, George Elmer
Pierce, Edward Timothy	Swift, Charles	Wright, Walter Savage—82.

MOST EXCELLENT MASTER:

Miller, George—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Edwards, Simon Josiah

Grey, Frank Sidney—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Decker, Zachary—1.

DIED:

McLean, David Roger

Wotkyns, Benjamin Marshall—2.

RECAPITULATION:

On roll per last report.....	56	Withdrawn.....	2
Not reported last year.....	1	Susp. for non-payment of dues....	1
Exalted.....	15	Died.....	2
Affiliated.....	15—87.	Now borne upon the roll.....	82—87.

ORANGE CHAPTER, No. 73.

Santa Ana, Orange County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday on or before Full Moon in each month.

OFFICERS:

James William Towner, <i>High Priest</i> ,	George Ellery Dye, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
Herbert Curtis Hill, <i>King</i> ,	John Rink Paul, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
George Warren Weeks, <i>Scribe</i> ,	John McClellan Lacy, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Ira D Mills, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Nathaniel Mills Perry Olose, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
George Akerman Whidden, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Saxton Haywood, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Allen Jefferson Wood, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	Erastus Clinton Jones, <i>Guard</i> .

Past High Priest:

Carlos Frederick Mansur.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Ball, Charles Dexter	Fairbanks, Harlan	Menges, Marion Albert
Boyd, James Patton	Fife, Charles Cordellia	Peabody, Henry Adams
Chilton, Robert Francis	Fosdick, Henry Osro	Pos, William de Ronder
Collins, Isaac Lea	Hill, Samuel	Smith, Samuel Franklin
Culver, James Reed	Hogle, George Frederick	Snyder, Andrew
Davis, Phillip	Lamson, William Bradford	Townsend, Benj. Franklin
Dorman, Dudley Marvin	Medlock, James Randolph	West, Zephaniah B
Dryer, John Lewis	Mendelson, Marks	Wood, William Bell—38.
Edwards, William Rose		

PAST MASTERS:

Hewett, Roscoe Edwin

Smith, James Thompson—2.

MARK MASTER:

Cone, Thomas Edward—1.

DIED:

Pullen, Eli Athen—1.

RECAPITULATION :

On roll per last report.....32	Died..... 1
Exalted..... 6	Now borne upon the roll.....38—39.
Affiliated..... 1—39.	

HANFORD CHAPTER, U. D.**Hanford, Tulare County.***Stated Meetings, Tuesday on or after Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Charles C Van Valkenburgh, <i>High Priest</i> ,	Emmet M Friant, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
Francis Algene Blakeley, <i>King</i> ,	Lucius E Felton, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Gilbert Edward Shore, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Joseph Goodman, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
Robert William Musgrave, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Louis David Nathan, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
Edwin Y Dollenmayer, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Henry Melone, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
William Henry Camp, <i>Capt. of the Host</i> ,	Wayne Douglas Trehitt, <i>Guard</i> .

ROYAL ARCH MASONS:

Brown, Charles Rose	Henderson, Charles Udny	Nathan, Herman
Crigler, John Christopher	Hobler, Charles James	Newman, Samuel Jacob
Dollenmayer, Adolph Gus.	Isaac, Frederick Neville	Rafailovich, Nicholas M
Dunham, Lewis O	McJunkin, Joseph Talbot	Robinson, James Shaw—25.
Hackett, Henry		

RECAPITULATION:

Petitioners for dispensation....19	Now borne upon the roll.....25.
Exalted..... 5	
Affiliated..... 1—25.	

KERN VALLEY CHAPTER, U. D.**Bakersfield, Kern County.***Stated Meetings, first and third Wednesdays in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Alvah Russell Conklin, <i>High Priest</i> ,	William Harris Cook, <i>Principal Sojourner</i> ,
Benjamin Brundage, <i>King</i> ,	Isaac Leffler Miller, <i>Royal Arch Captain</i> ,
Wirt Robinson Macmurdo, <i>Scribe</i> ,	Philo Dennis Jewett, <i>Master 3d Vail</i> ,
John M Keith, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	—— ———, <i>Master 2d Vail</i> ,
John Chambers Morrison, <i>Secretary</i> ,	—— ———, <i>Master 1st Vail</i> ,
Julius Jacob Mack, <i>Captain of the Host</i> ,	—— ———, <i>Guard—9.</i>

MARK MASTERS:

Dinkelspiel, Louis M

Maude, Albert Clement—2.

RECAPITULATION:

Petitioners for dispensation.....9.	Now borne upon the roll.....9.
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WITH A SUMMARY OF THEIR RETURNS FOR THE TERM, TWELVE MONTHS, ENDING JANUARY 31, A. I. 2423.

NAMES OF CHAPTERS.	No. Chapter	PLACE OF LOCATION.		DATE WHEN CHAPTER WAS ORDERED.	Marked.	Passed.	Received.	Exalted.	Affiliated.	Restored.	Withdrawn.	Suspended for non- pay of dues.	Guns Un- Con.	Expelled.	Died.	M. Masters.	Past Masters.	R. A. Macons.	Dues to Gr. Chapter.
		TOWN.	COUNTY.																
1 SAN FRANCISCO,	1	San Francisco.	San Francisco.	July 28, 1854.	44	48	47	47	7	7	2	13			9	1	430	\$322 50	
2 SONORA,	2	Sonora,	Tuolumne.	" " "	"	8	9	9	5	1	1	2			5	1	38	27 00	
3 SACRAMENTO,	3	Sacramento,	Sacramento.	" " "	"	8	9	9	5	1	1	2			5	1	270	202 50	
4 EL DORADO,	4	El Dorado,	El Dorado.	April 30, 1855.	43	43	43	42	4	5	11	8			11	1	520	390 00	
5 CALIFORNIA,	5	San Francisco,	San Francisco.	" " "	"	4	4	4	4	4					2	2	69	42 25	
6 NEVADA,	6	Nevada,	Nevada.	" " "	"	4	4	4	4	4					2	2	23	17 25	
7 BENICIA,	7	Benicia,	Solano.	" " "	"	2	2												
8 COLUMBIA,	8	Columbia,	Tuolumne.	" " "	"	2	2												
9 SHASTA,	9	Shasta,	Shasta.	" " "	"	2	2	2	2	2	2	1					56	42 00	
10 FOREST,	10	Forest City,	Sierra.	" " "	"														
11 SUTTER,	11	Sutter Creek,	Amador.	May 3, 1856.	2	3	3	3	3						1	1	42	31 50	
12 MERCED,	12	Merced,	Merced.	" " "	"	7	7	9	3	1	3				1	1	42	31 50	
13 WASHINGTON,	13	Marysville,	Yuba.	" " "	"	7	7	9	3	2	2	2			1	1	127	95 25	
14 HOWARD,	14	San Jose,	Santa Clara.	" " "	"	7	7	6	6	2	2	2			1	1	133	99 75	
15 CYRUS,	15	Yreka,	Siakiyou.	" " "	"	7	7	6	6	1					1	1	74	55 50	
16 ST. JAMES,	16	Placerville,	El Dorado.	May 8, 1857.											1	1	87	27 75	
17 LIBANUS,	17	Iowa Hill,	Placer.	" " "	"										2	2	25	18 75	
18 GRASS VALLEY,	18	Grass Valley,	Nevada.	May 7, 1858.	4	5	6	9	1	1		4			2	2	81	60 75	
19 TRINITY,	19	Weaverville,	Trinity.	" " "	"												29	21 75	
20 FRANKLIN,	20	Oroville,	Butte.	" " "	"	4	4	7	7								78	57 00	
21 SIERRA,	21	Downville,	Sierra.	" " "	"	2	4	4	5	1	1				1	1	38	28 50	
22 PETALUMA,	22	Petaluma,	Sonoma.	" " "	"	2	2	2	2								68	51 00	
23 OLIVER,	23	Forest Hill,	Placer.	May 6, 1859.															
24 LA FAYETTE,	24	Camptonville,	Yuba.	" " "	"												16	11 25	
25 GEORGETOWN,	25	Georgetown,	El Dorado.	May 4, 1860.	3	3	3	3	2								26	19 50	
26 OAKLAND,	26	Oakland,	Alameda.	" 5, "															
27 DELTA,	27	Auburn,	Placer.	May 10, 1861.					1						1	1	34	25 50	

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NAMES OF CHAPTERS.	No. Chapter.	PLACE OF LOCATION.		DATE WHEN CHARTER WAS ORDERED.	Marked.	Passed.	Received.	Exalted.	Affiliated.	Restored.	Withdrawn.	Excluded.	Dues for non- pay [†] of dues.	Bur. U. N. Con.	Expelled.	Died.	M. Masters.	Past Masters.	M. E. Masters.	R. A. Masters.	Dues to Gr. Chapter.
		TOWN.	COUNTY.																		
57 DORIC,.....	68	Livermore,.....	Alameda,.....	April 29, 1885.	12	11	11	11	3	3	2	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	49	36 75
58 RIVERSIDE,.....	67	Riverside,.....	San Bernardino,.....	April 28, 1886.	3	9	3	8	3	3	2	4	3	1	1	1	1	1	2	58	43 50
59 HOLISTER,.....	68	Holister,.....	San Benito,.....	" " " "	9	9	10	8	1	1	2	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	51	23 25
60 TRIGO,.....	69	Fresno,.....	Fresno,.....	April 27, 1887.	4	4	4	4	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	79	59 25
61 ALAMEDA,.....	70	Alameda,.....	Alameda,.....	" " " "	3	3	4	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	63	39 75
62 TULARE,.....	71	Tulare,.....	Tulare,.....	April 17, 1888.	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	82	40 30 00
63 CROWN,.....	72	Pasadena,.....	Los Angeles,.....	" " " "	18	16	16	16	15	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	40	61 50
64 ORANGE,.....	73	Santa Ana,.....	Orange,.....	April, 22, 1891.	6	7	6	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	38	28 50
65 HANFORD,.....	74	Hanford,.....	Tulare,.....	" " " "	5	5	5	5	20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	26	18 75
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* Charter surrendered.

† Charter revoked.

‡ Consolidated with Sonoma, No. 2.

¶ Consolidated with Alameda, No. 36, under name of Oakland, No. 36.

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Kansas,.....	ROBERT E. TORRINGTON,.....	<i>Emporia ;</i>
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New Jersey,.....	EDWARD GOELLER,.....	<i>Trenton ;</i>
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New York,.....	ORVILLE F. RANDOLPH,.....	<i>Penn Yan ;</i>
North Carolina,.....	WILLIAM R. KEENAN,.....	<i>Wilmington ;</i>
North Dakota,.....	THOMAS J. WILDER,.....	<i>Fargo ;</i>
Nova Scotia,.....	HENRY D. DE BLOIS,.....	<i>Annapolis Royal ;</i>
Ohio,.....	CHARLES E. LOGAN,.....	<i>Cincinnati ;</i>
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South Dakota,.....	PETER C. MURPHY,.....	<i>Brookings ;</i>
Tennessee,.....	ANGEL S. MYERS,.....	<i>Memphis ;</i>
Texas,.....	A. S. RICHARDSON,.....	<i>Houston ;</i>
Vermont,.....	THEODORE S. PECK,.....	<i>Burlington ;</i>
Virginia,.....	WILLIAM B. ISAACS,.....	<i>Richmond ;</i>
Washington,.....	LOUIS ZEIGLER,.....	<i>Spokane Falls ;</i>
West Virginia,.....	KEPHART D. WALKER,.....	<i>Fairmont ;</i>
Wisconsin,.....	HORACE E. MAHN,.....	<i>Marquette.</i>

GRAND CHAPTERS

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Grand Chapters.	Grand Secretaries.	Residence.
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VIRGINIA,.....	W. B. ISAACS,.....	Richmond.
WASHINGTON,.....	YANCEY C. BLALOCK,.....	Walla Walla.
WEST VIRGINIA,.....	ODELL S. LONG,.....	Charleston.
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GRAND OFFICERS

Elected since the Organization of the Grand Chapter, July 28, A. I. 2384.

1854.

*CHARLES M. RADCLIFF, *Gr. High Priest.* *A. B. HOY,..... *Grand King.*
*JOHN D. CREIGH, *Dep. Grand High Priest.* *HUGH G. PLATT, *Grand Scribe.*

1855.

*JOHN D. CREIGH, ... *Grand High Priest.* *WILLIAM W. TRAYLOR, ... *Grand King.*
*ISAAC DAVIS, ... *Dep. Grand High Priest.* *LEVERETT BRADLEY, *Grand Scribe.*

1856.

*ORANGE H. DIBBLE, *Grand High Priest.* WHITING G. WEST, *Grand King.*
*W. W. TRAYLOR, *Dep. Grand High Priest.* *JAMES A. JACKSON, *Grand Scribe.*

1857.

*WM. W. TRAYLOR, ... *Grand High Priest.* WHITING G. WEST, *Grand King.*
THOS. H. CASWELL, *Dep. Grand High Priest.* *JAMES A. JACKSON, *Grand Scribe.*

1858.

THOMAS H. CASWELL, *Grand High Priest.* *JAMES A. JACKSON, *Grand King.*
WHITING G. WEST, *Dep. Grand High Priest.* *HENRY HARE HARTLEY, ... *Grand Scribe.*

1859.

WHITING G. WEST, ... *Grand High Priest.* *AARON D. PARK, *Grand King.*
*H. H. HARTLEY, *Dep. Grand High Priest.* *LEWIS REYNOLDS, *Grand Scribe.*

1860.

*HENRY H. HARTLEY, *Grand High Priest.* *JAMES W. BICKNELL, *Grand King.*
*ADOLPHUS HOLLUB, *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* *EZRA HOWARD VAN DECAR, *Grand Scribe.*

1861.

*HENRY H. HARTLEY, *Grand High Priest.* *EZRA HOWARD VAN DECAR, *Grand King.*
*ADOLPHUS HOLLUB, *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* JOHN KIRKPATRICK, *Grand Scribe.*

1862.

*ADOLPHUS HOLLUB, ... *Grand High Priest.* JOHN KIRKPATRICK, *Grand King.*
*EZRA H. VAN DECAR, ... *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* *CHARLES MARSH, *Grand Scribe.*

1863.

*EZRA H. VAN DECAR, ... *Grand High Priest.* *CHARLES MARSH, *Grand King.*
JOHN KIRKPATRICK, ... *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* WILLIAM A. DAVIES, *Grand Scribe.*

1864.

*ISAAC DAVIS, *Grand High Priest.* *CHARLES MARSH, *Grand King.*
JOHN KIRKPATRICK, ... *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* WILLIAM A. DAVIES, *Grand Scribe.*

* Deceased.

1865.

JOHN KIRKPATRICK,.. *Grand High Priest.* WILLIAM A. DAVIES,..... *Grand King.*
 *CHAS. MARSH,.. *Dep. Grand High Priest.* *ISAAC S. TITUS,..... *Grand Scribe.*

1866.

*CHARLES MARSH,.. *Grand High Priest.* *ISAAC S. TITUS,..... *Grand King.*
 WM. A. DAVIES,.. *Dep. Grand High Priest.* *JOHN W. HARVILLE,..... *Grand Scribe.*

1867.

*ISAAC S. TITUS,..... *Grand High Priest.* *JOHN W. HARVILLE,.. *Grand King.*
 *JAS. A. JACKSON,.. *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* *GEORGE T. GRIMES,..... *Grand Scribe.*

1868.

*JOHN W. HARVILLE, *Grand High Priest.* *JAS. LAWRENCE ENGLISH, .. *Grand King.*
 *GEORGE T. GRIMES, *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* JACOB H. NEFF,..... *Grand Scribe.*

1870.

*GEORGE T. GRIMES, .. *Grand High Priest.* JACOB H. NEFF,..... *Grand King.*
 *JAS. LAW. ENGLISH, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* STEPHEN WING,..... *Grand Scribe.*

1871.

*JAS. L. ENGLISH,.. *Grand High Priest.* STEPHEN WING,..... *Grand King.*
 JACOB H. NEFF,..... *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* *JOSEPH ISAACS,..... *Grand Scribe.*

1872.

JACOB H. NEFF, *Grand High Priest.* WM. THOMAS REYNOLDS,.... *Grand King.*
 *JOSEPH ISAACS, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* WM. ALEXANDER JANUARY, *Grand Scribe.*

1873.

WM. A. DAVIES,.... *Grand High Priest.* WM. THOMAS REYNOLDS,.. *Grand King.*
 *JOSEPH ISAACS,..... *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* WM. ALEXANDER JANUARY, *Grand Scribe.*

1874.

WM. ALEX. JANUARY, *Grand High Priest.* JOHN MILLS BROWNE,..... *Grand King.*
 WM. T. REYNOLDS,.. *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* HENRY HAY KNAPP,..... *Grand Scribe.*

1875.

WM. T. REYNOLDS,.. *Grand High Priest.* HENRY HAY KNAPP,..... *Grand King.*
 *ALEX. G. ABELL,.. *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* NATHAN W. SPAULDING,.. *Grand Scribe.*

1876.

*ALEX. G. ABELL,.... *Grand High Priest.* JOHN MILLS BROWNE,..... *Grand King.*
 HENRY HAY KNAPP, *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* NATHAN W. SPAULDING,.. *Grand Scribe.*

1877.

HENRY HAY KNAPP, *Grand High Priest.* NATHAN W. SPAULDING,.. *Grand King.*
 JOHN MILLS BROWNE, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* WILEY JAMES TINNIN,.... *Grand Scribe.*

1878.

JOHN MILLS BROWNE, *Grand High Priest.* WILEY JAMES TINNIN,..... *Grand King.*
 NATHAN W. SPAULDING, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* HENRY SAYRE ORME,..... *Grand Scribe.*

1879.

NATHAN W. SPAULDING, *Gr. High Priest.* HENRY SAYRE ORME,..... *Grand King.*
 WILEY JAMES TINNIN, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE, *Grand Scribe.*

*Deceased.

1880.

WILEY JAMES TINNIN, *Gr. High Priest.* WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE, *Grand King.*
HENRY SAYRE ORME, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* *LEONIDAS E PRATT, *Grand Scribe.*

1881.

HENRY SAYRE ORME, *Grand High Priest.* *LEONIDAS E PRATT, *Grand King.*
WM. MONROE PETRIE, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* *JONATHAN DOAN HINES, *Grand Scribe.*

1882.

WM. MONROE PETRIE, *Grand High Priest.* *JONATHAN DOAN HINES, *Grand King.*
*LEONIDAS E PRATT, *D. Grand High Priest.* EDWARD COLEMAN, *Grand Scribe.*

1883.

*LEONIDAS E PRATT, *Grand High Priest.* EDWARD COLEMAN, *Grand King.*
*JONATHAN DOAN HINES, *D. Gr. H. Priest.* BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE, *Gr. Scribe.*

1884.

*JONATHAN DOAN HINES, *Grand H. Priest.* BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE, *Gr. King.*
EDWARD COLEMAN, *Dep. Gr. H. Priest.* *MICHAEL JAMES KEATING, *Grand Scribe.*

1885.

EDWARD COLEMAN, *Grand High Priest.* *MICHAEL JAMES KEATING, *Grand King.*
BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE, *D. G. H. P.* WILLIAM THOMPSON LUTHER, *Gr. Scribe.*

1886.

BENJAMIN F. TUTTLE, *Grand High Priest.* WM. THOMPSON LUTHER, *Grand King.*
*MICHAEL JAS. KEATING, *D. G. H. Priest.* WILLIAM VANDERHURST, *Grand Scribe.*

1887.

*MICHAEL JAMES KEATING, *G. High Priest.* WILLIAM VANDERHURST, *Grand King.*
WM. THOMPSON LUTHER, *D. Gr. H. Priest.* *CARNOT COURTLAND MASON, *Gr. Scribe.*

1888.

WILLIAM THOMPSON LUTHER, *G. H. Priest.* *CARNOT COURTLAND MASON, *Grand King.*
WILLIAM VANDERHURST, *D. Gr. H. Priest.* FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, *Grand Scribe.*

1889.

WILLIAM VANDERHURST, *G. High Priest.* FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, *Grand King.*
*CARNOT COURTLAND MASON, *D. G. H. P.* MILTON HILLS MYRIK, *Grand Scribe.*

1890.

FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, *Gr. High Priest.* WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS, *Grand King.*
MILTON HILLS MYRIK, *Dep. Gr. H. P.* CHARLES RAY GRITMAN, *Grand Scribe.*

1891.

MILTON HILLS MYRIK, *Gr. High Priest.* CHARLES RAY GRITMAN, *Grand King.*
WM. BUCKLEY DAVIS, *Dep. Gr. High Priest.* ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD, *Gr. Scribe.*

1892.

WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS, *Gr. High Priest.* ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD, *Gr. King.*
CHARLES RAY GRITMAN, *D. G. High Priest.* ADOLPHUS HEWEL, *Grand Scribe.*

1893.

CHARLES RAY GRITMAN, *Gr. High Priest.* ADOLPHUS HEWEL, *Grand King.*
ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD, *D. G. H. P.* THOMAS FLINT, SR., *Grand Scribe.*

*Deceased.

GRAND CONVENTION
OF THE
ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTS
OF THE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

Thirty-fourth Annual Grand Convention.

The thirty-fourth Annual Grand Convention of the Order of High Priests of the State of California assembled in the Masonic Temple, on Tuesday, the eighteenth day of April, 1893, at eight o'clock, P. M.

There were present the following

OFFICERS:

The M. E. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES,.....*President;*
" R. E. JACOB HART NEFF,.....*Vice-President;*
" R. E. THEODORE EDWARD SMITH,.....*Recorder;*
" R. E. FRANKLIN HENRY DAY,.....*Conductor;*
" R. E. DAVID PUGH MARSHALL,.....*Herald;*
" R. E. THOMAS KYLE,.....*Steward.*

Also Companions HENRY ASCROFT, JOHN GOULD BISBEE, ELI TUCKER BLACKMER, ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD, GEORGE DIETTERLE, THOMAS FLINT, SR., CHARLES RAY GRITMAN, CHARLES FAYETTE LOTT, MORRIS MEHON, HENRY SAYRE ORME, WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE, BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE, WILLIAM VANDERHURST, JAMES WATERS and STEPHEN WING.

The M. E. President made the following appointments *pro tempore*:—

Companion THOMAS KYLE,.....*Chaplain;*
" BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE,.....*Treasurer;*
" STEPHEN WING,.....*Master of Ceremonies;*
ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD,.....*Steward;*

And the Grand Convention was opened in *But form.*

The reading of the minutes of proceedings of the last Annual Grand Convention was dispensed with, the members being furnished with printed copies thereof.

Applications accompanied by the proper certificates, were received from the following named Companions :—

CHARLES JAMES KING.....	High Priest of <i>San Francisco</i>	Chapter, No. 1
JOHN HURLEY.....	" " " <i>Sacramento</i>	" " 3
ROBERT ASH.....	" " " <i>California</i>	" " 5
WILLIAM HENRY GUNSOLUS.....	" " " <i>Sutter</i>	" " 11
SAMUEL HOPKINS WAGENER.....	" " " <i>Howard</i>	" " 14
ELIAS DELEVAN GARDNER.....	" " " <i>Red Bluff</i>	" " 40
ALLEN BOSELY LEMMON.....	" " " <i>Santa Rosa</i>	" " 45
GEORGE WASHINGTON STOUT.....	" " " <i>Ukiah</i>	" " 53
AUGUST WACKERBARTH.....	" " " <i>Signet</i>	" " 57
JAMES ASHLEY WEBSTER.....	" " " <i>Salinas</i>	" " 59
PHILIP FRANCIS READY.....	" " " <i>San Luis</i>	" " 62
AMOS MYRON COLLIS.....	" " " <i>Crown</i>	" " 72
JAMES WILLIAM TOWNER.....	" " " <i>Orange</i>	" " 73

Which applications were referred to a committee consisting of Companions FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, STEPHEN WING and THOMAS KYLE.

After due consideration the committee reported favorably; whereupon the applicants were balloted for and duly elected to receive the Order of High Priesthood.

Companions CHARLES JAMES KING, JOHN HURLEY, ROBERT ASH, WILLIAM HENRY GUNSOLUS, SAMUEL HOPKINS WAGENER, ELIAS DELEVAN GARDNER, ALLEN BOSELY LEMMON, GEORGE WASHINGTON STOUT, AUGUST WACKERBARTH, JAMES ASHLEY WEBSTER, PHILIP FRANCIS READY, AMOS MYRON COLLIS, and JAMES WILLIAM TOWNER were severally introduced and received the Order of High Priesthood.

The Recorder reported the

RECEIPTS :

Fees from Candidates.....\$65 00

DISBURSEMENTS :

Janitor\$ 5 00

Recorder 25 00

30 00

Leaving a balance of.....\$35 00

The next business in order being the election of officers for the ensuing year, the M. E. President appointed Companions THOMAS FLINT, SR., and JOHN GOULD BISBEE as tellers.

Ballots being taken the following named Companions were declared elected :—

The M. E. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES,.....*President;*
" R. E. JACOB HART NEFF,.....*Vice-President;*
" R. E. THOMAS KYLE,.....*Chaplain;*
" R. E. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE,.....*Treasurer,*
" R. E. THEODORE EDWARD SMITH,.....*Recorder;*
" R. E. STEPHEN WING,.....*Master of Ceremonies;*
" R. E. FRANKLIN HENRY DAY,.....*Conductor;*
" R. E. DAVID PUGH MARSHALL,.....*Herald;*
" R. E. ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD,.....*Steward.*

The officers were then duly installed.

There being no further business, the Grand Convention was closed
in *due form.*

THEODORE EDWARD SMITH,

Recorder.

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS

OF THE

GRAND CONVENTION OF HIGH PRIESTS.

OFFICERS:

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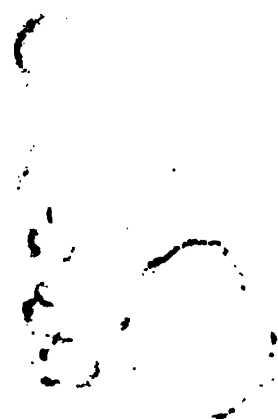
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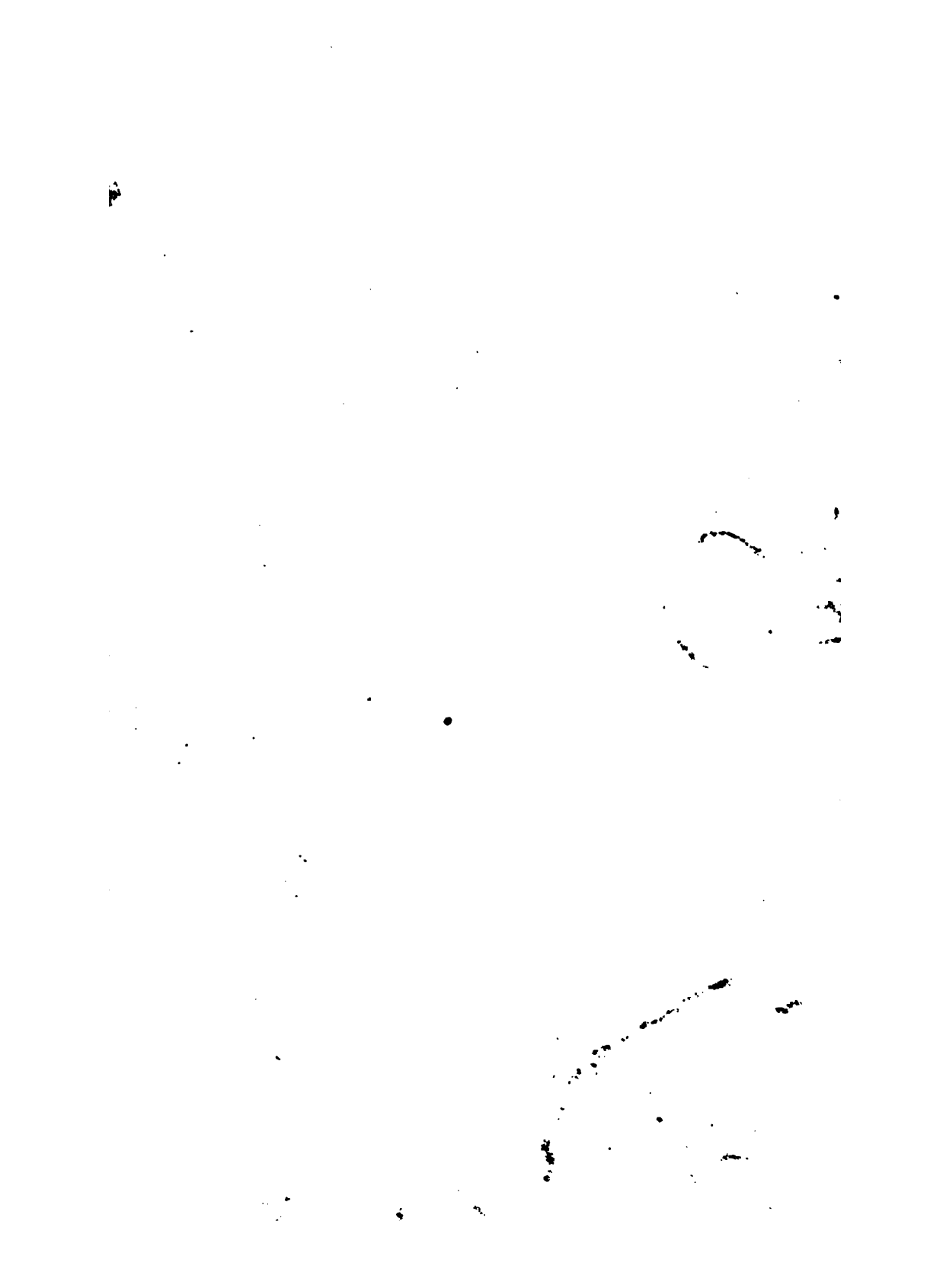
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